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Why Nato

might

use bomb

first

From Nicholas Ashford

Washington

General Bernard Rogers, Supreme Allied Commander in

Europe, has given a warning that Nato would be forced to escalate "fairly quickly" to the first use of nuclear weapons in

the event of a large-scale attack by Soviet conventional forces in

Although he did not specify

how soon after such an attack

he would have to ask Nato leaders in authorize the release

of neclear weapons, he empha-sized that the alliance did not

have adequate sustaninability,

manpower, ammunition and

prepositioned reserves in contain a Soviet conventional

attack "except for a very short

General Rogers, who has been Nato's commander since

propagate what has now be-

come a well-worn theme of his -

the need for the 16-nation

alliance to increase its defence

spending, particularly on huild-ing up its conventional forces.

conventional capacity would enhance the alliance's deter-

rence capability and raise the nuclear threshold, he told a

group of foreign journalists. But

it would inevitaly involve some sacrifices - about \$11 (£7,85) a

year for every man, woman and child living in Nato countries.

"The people have to be convinced that there is a threat

in their freedom and have to be

willing to make this additional sacrifice," he declared. General Rogers went out of

his way to assure Europeans

He said the weapons would

not even become nuclear until

he received a special code from

the US President and that code

had been dialled into the

The only way he could obtain

that code would be to go

through the normal three-part

release procedures laid down by Nato beadquarters as well as in

each of the 16 capitals with an

early warning message saying

that it might be necessary to use

This would be followed by a warning message containing information about possible

targets and specifying the countries from which Nato's

short and Medium-rang miss-

Finally there would have to

iles would be launched.

or miscalculation.

nuclear weapons.

An improvement in Nato's

If music . . . Bernard Levin suffer assault at the hands of Anton Webern - and hits

Be the food ... Eat, drink - and lava ... beautiful table. Sir Roy Strong considers the epergne and other



Of love . . . Sir John Summerson reflects on the architecture of the Thirties and wonders why some people love it so much.

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Play on . . . Why London is swinging again.

Give me ... The beauty of California and the romance of Hawaii.

Excess Attempts to outlaw video nasties are welcome, but parliamentarians should beware of going too far.

# Lawson is foiled on power price

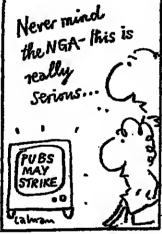
the Exchequer, has again failed to secure a 3 per cent rise in the Community. price of electricity. The Cabinet decided not to take legal powers to direct the Electricity Council to increase prices, but a 2 per cent rise is likely Page 2

# Pound rises

Sterling rose to 1.4225 against the dollar, up 55 points, as West Germany's central bank again intervened heavily on foreign exchange markets

# Nanny demand

The prosecution at the Italian trial of the Scottish namy, Carol Compton, demanded a seven-year jail term for arson meeting in Bedford, agreed, lawful one-day strike called by and attempted murder Page 7



# Time please

Managers employed by a Grand Metropolitan subsidiary will strike today and shut 280 pubs in the North. The action could spread over Christmas and New Page 3

#### Hard to swallow Mr Edwin Meese, the White House counsellor, has caused a

political storm by making derogatory remarks about America's hungry Page 8

# £170m bid

Hanson Trust last night launehed a £170m cash takeover hid for London Brick, Britain's sole maker of fletton house bricks.

Letters: On Antarctica, from Mr Julian Amery, MP; nuclear winter, from Dr Norman Myers, and Professor Sir Frederick Warner, arts subsidies, from Mr Robert Jackson, MP Leading articles: European budget, censorship in time of war, glue sniffing

Features, pages 12-14 Conveyancing why the solici-tors must put their house in a new coal face at the colliery order, Roger Boyes describes Lech Walesa's plans to infin-ence Poland's future; The cranes that keep flying into trouble. Spectrum: the Connery code, Friday Page: Shake-

spearean struggles Obitnary, page 16 Lord Amulrec. Dr Stanley Clotworthy, Mr Theodore Crombie



# Blocking of budget rebate sharpens conflict with EEC

By Ian Murray in Strasbourg and Anthony Bevins in London

To the impotent fury of all British Euro-MPs, the European Parliament in Strasbourg vester-day voted stolidly to block payment of rebates due to Britain and West Germany, while passing a £15,500m hudget for the Community next year. That is a tiny £26m less than the Community's resources

In London Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, sharpened the threat that Britain might withhold payments from the Community if the £457m rebate was not paid by the end of March, the official Briush deadline.

Mrs Thatcher told the

Commons, in reply to a challenge from Mr Neil Kinnock, that she had been "greatly disappointed" hy the European Parliament votecarlier in the day to block the

repayment.
The Parliament has teft the door open for the money to be handed over by the March deadline, but for that to happen member states will have to the failure at Athens, she said, agree to reforms similar to yet they alone were being asked those which failed to win any kind of support at the abortive Athens summit.

Legally the hudget is suspect. and it may yet be challenged in the courts either by the Council of Ministers or the British Government.

The rebate due to Britain, and the £91m for West Germany, were agreed during the Stuttgart summit last June as net payments in recognition of the fact that both countries were paying more than their proper share of the cost of running the

however, that it would continue

the dispute despite the with-drawal of TUC support for industrial action in contra-

vention of the Government's

It condemned the decision of

the TUC General Council to

"sell us down the river" and

agreed unanimously to continue

the campaign for a closed shop and reinstatement of the dis-

missed "Stockport six". But it

will adopt a less militant stance

and will ask for support from the unions that backed the

The NGA will be consulting

"its friends and supporters in

the movement" and seeking to

mohilize unions in a campaign

to continue the dispute and

change the TUC's policy on

backing for unions that find

themselves in direct conflict

with the employment legis-

Yesterday's decision marks a

within the labour movement to

undermine the policy of Mr Len

Murray, TUC general secretary.

that the TUC should not flout the 1980 and 1982 Employment

Three miners

trapped by

tons of rock

Rescuers made contact last

night with three men trapped a

quarter of a mile underground

at Sherwood colliery, near

Mansfield, Nottinghamshire,

after .hundreds of tons of rock

collapsed. All three men were

Two rescue teams continued

The men were in a tunnel

16ft high and 10ft wide

constructing an access road for

One rescue team was using

picks, shovels and even bare

hands and the other had cutting

gear called a mechanical mole,

which punches 6in wide holes.

A ventilation tube runs into

the tunnel and National Coal

Board experts said air was

The trapped men are Mr Ian

Johnson, aged 38, married with a son, of Soulby Close, Forest Town, Mansfield; Mr Peter

Williams, aged 42, married with

two children, of Sycamore

Road, Mansfield Woodhouse;

and Mr Peter Watts, aged 33,

married with three children, of

working in reach the men. A dozen workmates of the trapped

miners were helping.

when the rock fell.

safe and well.

campaign. It suggests that the tomembers, union will continue action The Law

NGA in the TUC vote.

British MEPs reacted angrily. "The Parliament has shown a staggering display of political insensitivity and discrimination", Mr Neil Balfour told the assembly. "From now on you have lost the support of every single directly-elected British member of this Parlia-

That support was being withdrawn "with total justification and real anger". Mr Balfour, the Conservative

Parliamentary report Herring agreement Leading article

spokesman on hudgetary affairs, has been criticized in the past over-conciliatory

Not to be outdone in the invective, Mrs Barbara Castle, the leader of the Labour group, described the Parliament's vote as "petty and hypocritical". The British were not responsible for

to pay for it. Sir Henry Plumb, leader of the Conservative group, was on the telephone to Downing Street the moment the vote was over. He had been warned when he called the previous evening that Mrs Thatcher would be very angry if the money was frozen. He tried to put the dispute into

perspective. "I am quite hopeful that in the end it is not a bad day's work", he said, "It may tend to speed up the decision - which we have been seeking for so

It also suggests that the union

the NGA earlier this week.

fines for contempt of court.

But the union will go into

court on Monday to seek a variation of the order so as to

release some of the union's

funds for friendly society

• The National Union of

Journalists (NUJ) was given

leave yesterday to appeal to the

House of Lords over its dispute

with David Dimbleby's family

Lord Brandon of Oakbrook,

said that the House of Lords

would hear the appeal only if

law in the meantime and to

The Law Lords said that if

the NUJ failed to give under-

takings to abide by the injunc-

tions within seven days its

petition would be dismissed

and it would be in contempt of

benefits.

new departure in the NGA's withdraw its strike call

vesterday to defer any decision

NGA decides to halt

mass pickets

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

The Conservative group had gone into the session trying hard to be conciliatory. Most members abstained when Mrs Castle's resolution to reject the entire budget was put. She won only marginal support from the entire Socialist group for her view that "this Parliament is participating in a con trick on the people of Europe".

When the vote to freeze the British money was taken, however, Conservatives and Labour members voted together, with four Danes, three French and one West German, in honour the promise to pay.

At that point, Mr Andrew Pearce, the Conservative MEP for Cheshire, West, told the assembly that they were storing up trouble for themselves in the future. None of the 54 million people in Britain, he said, could understand why one of the poorer states in the community was being expected to finance richer states.

An attempt by the Conserva-tives then to reject the entire budget failed by 241 votes to 111. In consequence, the group voted in protest against every

other part of the budget.

This stung Mrs Castle to complain that the Conservatives were voting against money which was earmarked to help create jobs in Britain. "They sat there like sulky little boys who have lost a cricket match and who then say 'I have taken away my bat."

The budget will not be adopted until it is signed by Mr Piet Dankert, the president of the assembly. He is meant to do

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# Conveyance outlet for banks

By Philip Webster Political Reporter

Leaders of the National It also suggests that the union Graphical Association (NGA) has been given private assurdecided last night that there will ances of support by powerful be no return to industrial action unions such as the Transport in the six-month-old dispute and General Workers' Union with Mr Eddie Shah's Messen and the National Union of Banks and building societies will be able to offer conveyancing services in competition with solicitors' firms under govern-ment legislation to be fore-shadowed in the Chumons the Solicitor General. The NGA leaders also agreed

But, under proposals ap-proved by the Cabinet yesterabout going back to the High Court to seek a judge's order to free the union's £10m from the day, they would still have to employ solicitors to do the

control of the sequestrators who were put in to seize £675,000 in The Cabinet, therefore, while agreeing to liberalize the conveyancing market, has de-cided to introduce measurew which are far more limited in scope than those in Mr Austin Mitchell's Buyers Bill, to be debated today. That Bill envisages the concept of the "licensed conveyancer".

Sir Patrick is expected to promise consultations to examine haw more competition can be introduced, but there will be group of newspapers based at Richmond upon Thames. But Lord Diplock, sitting with Lord Keith of Kinkel and disappointment among MPs that the Government's Bill, as nt present envisaged, will not allow people other than solicitors to convey property.

The Government will oppose the union agreed to obey the Mr Mitchell's Bill, which it regards as unsatisfactory, and it appeared last night that Conservative MPs would be sufficiently satisfied with the promise of action to dissuaded from backing it.

Sir Patrick is expected to



# **US** warship blasts Lebanese militias

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

US marines in Beirut had come under fierce attack hy mortars and heavy artillery yesterday evening, the battleship New Jersey began to bombard Shia Muslim and Druze militia positions in the hills around the

It was the second barrage by the vessel in 36 hours.

The New Jersey fired only its

5-in artillery, but the guns and shell explosions could be heard across Beirut as shock waves

rumbled over the city.

There had been serious fighting round the Marine compound, at the sirport during the day when Lebanese troops and Shia Muslim guerrillas had fought artillery battles not far from the British Army headquarters in the suburb of Hadeth. At least one shell landed scarcely 50 yards from the British base. Earlier a French soldier was

killed by artillery fire probably



directed from the Chouf mountains. Another French paratrooper was killed in morning, when gunmen in a car shot him in the back at close range as he emptied a rubbish bin outside his regimental headquarters. This is clearly going to be a pattern of attack that will continue. Late in the afternoon a French patrol was attacked: three men were wounded.

Elsewhere in Lebanon yesterday, the Israelis, with tanks, armoured troop carriers and sir cover, staged a mass evacuation of the Christians from Deir el-

# Two ways

Less than an hour after the S marines in Beirut had come civilians and their would-be militia protectors of the Phalange to the safety of Israeli lines across the Awali river, The Phalangists - who have been trapped in the town by the

Druze since last September's mountain civil war - were later taken to Sidon. Last night, the Phalangist radio was claiming that the Christian militia were on board the French helicopter carrier Jeanne d'Arc, which was steaming northwards towards Beirut, escorted by Israeli

Whether or not this report was true, the Phalangists, who more than any other Lebanese militia have demanded the withdrawal of foreign forces from Lebanon, will now have to live with the fact that they needed a foreign army to rescue them form their Druze fellowcountrymen.

Druze gunmen jeered at the Christian militamen, making obscene gestures and waving bayonets as their enemies, packed in Buses with hlinds down, were driven out of the town under Israeli protection.

The drama of the evacuation from the Chouf mountains, in which several hundred Israeli armoured vehicles were involved, tended to obscure the far graver events being diseussed in Damascus between Mr Daoald Rumsfeld, President Reagan's Middle East envoy Khaddam, the Syrian Foreign

Less than a day after the New Jersey had shelled the Syrian Army for the first time, the two men concluded their three hours of discussions during the afternoon without finding any way of ending the military confrontation between Syria and America.

Indeed, General Mustafa Tlass, the Army commander, told his troops yesterday that Syria would continue to open fire on US reconnaissance jets and the Army would "surprise Continued on back page, col 6

# to censor war reports By Rodney Cowton

Defence Correspondent

that the new Pershing and cruise missiles now being deployed in West Germany, Britain and Italy could not A call for government departments to prepare plans cause a nuclear war by accident system of censorship could be introduced if Britain again became involved in a war is contained in the report of a study group published yester-General Sir Hogh Beach,

chairman of the group studying the protection of military information, said that if there was another war a system of censorship would be necessary, and would be demanded. The report criticizes the

censorship system during the Falklands conflict. General Beach said that in any future war a system would work better if there had been advance preparation.

The groups suggests two would operate in parallel. There would be a discretionary system in the United Kingdom with editors being able, but not obliged, to refer material which might be militarily damaging to the censor.

If they published without reference to the censor they would be open to prosecution if the material contravened rules on what could or could not be

be a release message which would provide him with the codes for the warheads on the various types of weapons to be used in a nuclear strike. "Until I get those codes I don't have a nuclear weapon,'

he explained. Tve got a warhead that is capable of becoming a nuclear warhead, published. Report, page 4 but we must use the codes to enable it to be that."

# GRAHAMS Late Bottled Vintage 1978 PORT OPORTO

By Alan Hamilton Gary Kasparov, the handsome

young prodigy with the looks to fire a gymslip crush and the memory of a computer, is within an ace of ensuring that next year's final of the world chess championships will be a clash of Soviet titans. Kasparov, born 20 years ago

with the name of Weinstein in the Soviet "deep south" republic of Azerbaydzhan, need only draw his next and eleventh game with the ailing Viktor Korchnoi at the Great Eastern Hotel in London to wipe the mercurial defector from the board.

Korchpoi, with a reputation for fighting back from the tightest of corners, has left his life-saving rally perilously late. Victory for Kasparov will delight the Soviet chess establishment, which has wished npon Korchnoi the status of an unperson since he decamped to Switzerland in

lf youth triumphs over experience in today's vital game, Kasparov will next meet the victor of the other semifinal being played concurrently. His opponent seems certain to be the veteran Russian international grandmaster Vasily Smyslov, whn last took the world title in 1957 and has



at the age of 62.

Korchani for his crown. There

In the latest published world chess ratings, Karpov leads Kasparov by 2,710 to 2,690, but a brilliant performance by the young star at a tournament in Yugoslavia in September, where all the world's top players with the notable exception of Karpov turned up to be

next ratings appear in January. In the present match Kor-chnot's sole win was in the first game; he has lost three and drawn six. Grandmasters observing the struggle have been pressed by the play of either man.

Raymond Keene: "Kasparov has been playing like Karpov, taking opportunities from Kor-chnoi's mistakes rather than building up positions. He is a naturally inventive and ingeni-ous player, but he has shown little of his true skill here."

Harry Golombek, chess correspondent of The Times: "There has only been an occasional flash of Kasparov's brilliance: normally breathes life and fire into

"As for Korchnoi, he was more or less done for when he lost to Karpov in 1981. He no longer has the incentive of trying to get his family out of the Soviet Union, and that has seemed to drain him of much of his energy."

Grandmaster Jon Speelman: "Kasparov could not get him-self together at all at first, but since Korchnoi's disaster in the sixth game Gary has turned from a tortured dog to an uncaged lion. He has learnt to Continued on back page, col 6

# Clash of Soviet titans draws near put him in first place when the

staged a remarkable comeback The betting on that outcome is firmly in favour of Kasparov as the man to meet the reigning Soviet world champion, Anatoly Karpov, who has twice beaten off challenges from

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary

of State for the Environment, is

questioning the value of local

democracy as part of his

has be

#### he sorts out his private life. Uppermost in the minds of party officials in London was the threat of a by-election and a Social Democratic Party onslaught on the St Helens seat spearheaded by Mrs Shirley Williams, who had held the neighbouring Merseyside seat Mr Bermingham, who has

been married twice, has re-

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent opposition to next week's Bill had originally expected about choice is being replaced by bureaucratic dictatorship."

Jenkin questions value of

local democracy in

leaked note to Cabinet

sutained campaign to curb the Mr Jenkin's memoranum powers of high-spending counmakes no pretence about the A confidential memorandum circulated to Cabinet colleagues unitary and not a federal state. says: "Local authorities are All the local powers of local responsible to local people authorities, including the pwer through the ballot box for the to raise rates, are derived from way they carry out their statutory responsibilities." Parliament. Local mandates cannot set aside national poli-But it then adds that there are 'major limitations" to the

It also says that the Governaccountability of councillors to ment has a right to demand a their ratepayers and their ase from local authorities to its programme for national The memorandum states that economic recovery. "Where non-domestic ratepayers contribute nearly 60 per cent of the rates – at £6,000m, the largest that response is not forthcoming the Government has no alternative but to act through single tax on business in England - while industry and policies on which it was commerce have no direct voting lected.

County councils chosen for In the last financial year, only 48 per cent of local authorities abolition by ministers claimed yesterday that the latest net revenue expenditure was met by ratepayers and "only 22 per cent of net rate fund revenue expenditure is financed Government grants had set them difficult targets which were meant to justify sub-sequent Conservative charges of overspending (Our Local Government Correspondent domestic rates, before memorandum concludes: "Only about 35 per cent of those eligible to vote in local

clections pay full rates.

"Thirty per cent of domestic ratepayers are eligible for full or mostly Conservative, to emerge with more scope for spending than had been expected.

Dr John Cunningham, the shadow spokesman who re-leased details of the leaked Mr Roy Thwaites, Labour leader of South Yorkshire document, said last night: "This country council, said that does actually imply that for a services could be kept at small price you can get rid of local democracy."

To solute In a note to be delivered to all cent next year. Labour MPs today, Dr Cunningham sets the theme for the side's chief executive, said: "We

# **Rotarian Tendency girds** loins for rate-cap battle By Our Political Correspondent

on solvent kits

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

against legislation to make government proposals for furth-solvent abuse by individuals an er action against solvent mis-

The Government has decided the case in the light of

enforce.

The Government's hard-line rate-suport grant settlement, taken with next week's expected tutional and environment publication of the Bill on rate-committees on Wednesday capping, is beloing to forge an night was reported yesterday to unusually strong resistance have shown distaste and dis-movement within the Tory ranks. comfort at the prospect and the Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, is saying that the 6 per cent cash cuts for local authority high-

spenders is a "very tough target indeed in real terms". But the natural Conservative hostility to such barsh action "well behaved" auth-Orities, expressed in the Commons on Wednesday, is being reinforced by the significant opposition to Mr Jenkin's plans for rate-capping curbs on local

offence. But ministers are use.

considering whether to make

The police and magistrates

are among those consulted by

the Government. They pre-

ferred the provision of expert

help and prevention to the

existing powers that can be

used. The Government is

relying on a drive involving

health, education, and local

government bodies, with shop-

keepers, against abuse.
In the Glasgow trial which
resulted on Monday in the

conviction of two men for

selling glue-sniffing kits, the

charge was based on Scottish

common law, which is more far reaching than English law in

But Mr Leon Brittan, the

The troubles of Mr Gerald

Bermingham, Labour MP for St Helens South, whose politi-cal career reached a crisis last

Mr Bermingham and the

woman ended np as lovers -

and their affair, with its trail of

alleged broken promises, cul-minated last night in a motion of no confidence being put

before an emergency meeting of

Bermingham to resign - party leaders saying that he should

Home Secretary, in a parlia-mentary written answer said be was examining the outcome of

that respect.

Police are to be reminded of

making of new offences.

a crime in England and Wales.

A joint meeting of the Conservative backbench constimeeting was said to have been "somewhat moist", but oppo-sition to Mr Jenkin's proposals is also attracting some "dry" reinforecment particularly from the new backbench intake. It is understood that new Conservative MPs have made

their way to Parliament through local government and that their lobbying on its behalf has become a force to be reckoned with. One source said last night that they were being described as the Rotarian Tendency. Brittan studies ban

The difficulties faced by the

Government, apparent at a

press conference given yester-

day by Mr Patten and Mr David

Mellor, Parliamentary Under

Secretary at the Home Office,

There are several thousand

products freely on sale which, if

injury, and even death.

Specific laws against those indulging in solvent abuse would be difficult to frame and

The Government has no official

knowledge of any kits on sale in

• Khaliq Raja and Ahmed

Raja, the Glasgow shopkeepers,

have lodged appeals against

their three-year sentences for

selling glue sniffing kits to

children, imposed by the High

Court in Glasgow (our Glasgow Correspondent writes).

Mr Gerald Bermingham:

Political career in crisis.

signed as senior partner in Irwin. Mitchell and Co. 2

prominent firm of solicitors in Sheffield. His second wife,

Judith, is also a solicitor. His troubles began when

Miss Ruth Harrison, aged 39,

his former political assistant,

complained that after abe

became Mr Bermingham's lover he had exploited and

manipulated her and falsely

promised that he would leave

Hardly had these accu-sations been made public when

it was disclosed that Miss

Janet Ball, aged 24, a nursing

his wife and marry her.

England and Wales.

sniffed and inhaled, can cause

#### on rate-capping when he says: £86m in government grants, but "Local democratic freedom and the Government's announcesingle penny of that." One of the least critical

reactions to the Government's Government's nttitude to local figures came from the Con-democracy. It says: "Ours is a servative-led Association of District Councils.

The highest increase goes to East Cambridgeshire district council, where the new target will be almost 49 per cent higher than this year's budget Slough, Wansdyke in Avon, Colchester, South Oxfordshire, and Tandridge and Spelthorne, in Surrey, have won rises of well above 10 per cent.

 Most of the mainly Conservative boroughs around London have lost significant amount of rate support grant including the Prime Minister own borough of Barnet.

THE GAINERS making significant gains rate support grant

Northwats (NOC)\* GLC (Lab)\* Bradford (NOC)\* West Midlands (Lab)

THE LOSERS: Councils suffering significant cuts i Avan (Lab) Cumbria (Lab) North Yorkshire (C) London

Kensington and Chelses (C)
Tower Hamlets (Lab)
Wandeworth (C) Barnet (C) Hillingdon (C) Richmond (Lib) altham Forest (C)

Councils feeling the pinch (all Labour)

Amount a council
needs to save to

# Injunction silences royal butler

By Alan Hamilton

investigating.
Mr Lightwood is understood to have been approached by several foreign magazines, but it is believed that no British publication was prepared to negotiate with bim. Technically, Mr Lightwood would be in contempt of court if he published confidential revelations

Solicitors acting on behalf of Princess Anne have obtained an interim injuction in the High Court restraining the Princess's former butler, Mr Andrew Lightwood, from disclosing details about his royal employ-

Mr Lightwood, aged 23, who had previously worked for four years at Buckingham Palace before a two-month stint at Princess Anne's home at Gatcombe Park, Gloucestershire, fled from his job in October elaiming that he had received 14 telephone calls from a man with a strong Irish accent threatening him with death. Gloucestershire police are still

assistant who met Mr Ber-

mingham in the People's March for Jobs in May, was also having a relationship with the MP. Miss Ball is expecting

Miss Harrison said yester-

day that she complained to the Law Society about Mr Ber-

mingham's treatment of ber

because she felt be had taken

advantage of her after she

consulted him professionally in

July, 1980.
"I was a single parent

bringing np one son who was at that time nearly 13 years old,"

Various difficulties with her

son had come to a head and she was extremely upset and distraught. She sought legal

advice and approached Mr

Bermingham, who as well as being a solicitor was then Labour councillor on the

Sheffield Education Com-

He appeared to be very

supportive and understanding, Miss Harrison said. He found

a place at boarding school for

her son and care proceedings

were averted, the sexual re-

lationship began two mouths

after the first meeting and the

affair went on for three years.

a bahy next month.

she said.

mittee.

The day sex tangle MP's troubles began

# Ready for 1984



Sale, the hair and colouring artist, has added the hair strand by strand (Photograph: Bill

# Chancellor rebuffed on power price

By Julian Haviland renewed effort by Mr

Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Echequer, to secure n rise of 3 per cent in the price of electricity from April 1 ap-peared to have failed yesterday when the Cabinet again decided that it should not take legal powers to direct the Electricity

But it was agreed that Mi Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, should again invite the Council'a chairman, Mr Philip Jones, to do what he could to meet the Chancellor's

As after the last Cabinet discussion on the subject on November 10, when Mr Walker was absent in China, conflicting accounts were heard of what had been decided and victory was confidently claimed on behalf of both ministers.

The signs were that Mr Walker would not press Mr Jones too hard, but that the council might agree to an increase of up to 2 per cent in domestic prices during the next 12 months, with no increase for

But it was also clear that the Electricity Council will resist any increase in the price to industry, where it hopes to increase sales. A spokesman (Nalgo) voted by a clear said every effort would be made insjority against increasing it. possible.

No further squeeze was pu on the electricity industry. The figure of £740m in loan repayments during 1984-85 was confirmed, as was the requirement of a 1.4 per cent annual return on average total net assets.

Treasury ministers said they were satisfied that there would be price increases well below the expected rate of inflation next year, and that the principle of what they call economic pricing, with prices rising in line with costs, had

been upheld.
Mr Walker's fiercer colleagues have for weeks proved unwilling to necept that he cannot bend the Electricity Council to his will, given that he appoints and can dismiss its

They suspect and perhaps with reason, that he subscribes to the principle which most of them have at some time voiced, that nationlized industries should be set financial targets commercial freedom with the

Mr Bermingham consist-

ently made promises to me

which he later reneged upon. Most important, he had lied to

me about his relationship with his wife and promised be would

leave ber in order to marry me.

that the affair be kept secret, a

demand which I respected. As a result I became increasingly

isolated and dependent upon

him", Miss Harrison said. She claimed that his alleged

treatment reduced her to n state

of mental and physical exhaus-

tion. She had been unable to

fulfil her post as a staff nurse

and when it became clear that Mr Bermingham was not going

to marry her, Miss Harrison

claimed that he offered to

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provide life-long support.

# New clause removes debt burden **Telecom Bill goes to Lords**

ency services, and public call means of funding its pre-1969 boxes. The second Telecommuni-cations Bill had its final reading All three areas bad been in the House of Commons extremely sensitive politically. yesterday after more than 300 hours of debate and will automatically pass to the House MPs on both sides feared that a new Brotosh Telecom whose of Lords before becoming law in responsibility to shareholders was to maximize profits would The Bill is one of the most not be interested in uneconomic

controversial of recent years as it will denationalize British Telecom, with 51 per cent being sold to the private sector. It was first introduced in the and ensure that an Office of

last parliament but was part of the legislation sacrificed to a June election. When it was introduced the Government had amended it slightly to guarantee British Telecom's corporation would be held by a supply of telephones, emerg- "Shell" British Telecom as a

Social workers may end homes action

The Bill empowered the

Government to sell shares in

the new public limited company

The final major amendment

took place two days ago.

Debenture shares in the new

Telecommunications

police British Telecom.

An end to the action, which tial social workers next Thurs-Both Nalgo's local governhas affected local authority homes for children in care and the elderly for the past three months was in sight last night as residential social workers belonging to the National and Local Government Association

By Nicholas Thuminins, Social Services Correspondent

the action and accept a joint residential social workers have inquiry on pay and hours under an independent chairman is now to be put to a delegate meeting of the 25,000 residen- and disabled.

ment committee and strike committee are recommending an end to the action and acceptance of the peace formula devised by the Advisory Conand Arbitration ciliation

been banning overtime and admissions to local authority

# Paper called to court A front page headline and picture in an edition of The Sun

on Wednesday is to be referred to the Attorney General. The paper's legal representatives Miss Eily Goodall, represent-were ordered to appear before ing *The Sun*, told the judge the Mr Justice Drake at Birming- paper' took the complaint ham Crown Court yesterday, scriously and did not think it case beging heard at the court of a couple accused of ill-treating contempt, the newspaper was their baby daughter.

The headline said "Baby was blinded by dad". There was also a picture of the accused

was contempt. If it was regarded as a

extremely sorry.

#### the new British Telecom will not carry the debt in case it scouraged investors. Parliamentary report, page 4 Research

to close By John Young

institutes

Two research laboratories are to be closed and up to 500 staff corporate plan made public yesterday by the Agricultural and Food Research Council. The two institutes, whose closure had been widely pre-

dicted, are the Letcombe laboratory, near Wantage, Oxfordshire, and the Weed Research Organization (WRO), at Yaruton, near Oxford. Both are owned and funded by the council, and were thus seen as more obvious targets than the research units which are only partially dependent upon government finance.

Dr Ralph Riley, the council's secretary, said yesterday that he realized that the programme would create considerable personal distress for some people.

Dr Riley made it clear that the job losses would not be confined to Letcombe and the WRO and that the "misery" would be spread as evenly as

# Boy faces **Thatcher** bomb charges

**Foetuses** 

**'used** 

in cosmetic

research'

By Thomson Prentice Medical Reporter

report says that foetuses and embryonic tissue are traded

No countries are mentioned

instigated by a group of European MPs, led by Herr

The report says: "The use made of live and dead human

foetuses has assumed such

phenomenon must be exam-ined, bearing in mind the

clandestine nature of such

According to the report,

"experiments are carried out on foctuses between 12 and 21

weeks old which are removed

whole and live, then dissected

to remove certain organs which are then frozen."

£1,250m which is to be paid

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ing money being paid at 14.5

The Post Office ceased to be

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Parliament.

A north London schoolboy aged 14 who told Scotland Yard anti-terrorist branch detectives Allegations that experiments that he learnt of bomb making re carried out in some turopean countries on live in his class, was accused at the Central Criminal Court yesterhuman foetuses for such day of sending an explosive packet to Mrs Margaret Thatcher at 10 Downing Street. reasons as cosmetics research are to be investigated by a committee of the European Mrs Barbara Mills, for the The British Medical Associaprosecution said that a postal tion is demanding evidence to sorter at Islington, who became substantiate claims made in suspicious of the package because of the childish writing a report submitted to the committee on energy, research,

on it, alerted the police, and and technology in Brussels. The explosives experts defused the The boy, from Tottenham among countries within and outside the EEC. pleaded not guilty to three charges of making an explosive device and sending it through the post to Mrs Thatcher. by name in the report, A Draft

Opinion on Experiments on Live Human Embryos. It was The boy had told the police that he bad done it to draw attention to himself and for a The trial was adjourned until

# Falklands team set up

The Rowntree and Cadbury trusts are to fund a new forum of politicians, academics, busi-nessmen and churchmen which was set up yesterday to promote a peaceful solution to the

Falklands dispute.
A total of £15,000 is to be given to the new South Atlantic Council, £5,000 each from the Joseph Rowntree Memorial Trust, the Rowntree Charitable Trust and the Cadbury Trust. The council has been estab-lished mainly by Mr Cyril Townsend, Conservative MP for Bexleyheath, and Mr George Foulkes, Labour MP for Car-rock, Cumnock and Doon

# Straw burning controls drafted

Strict new controls on straw burning are contained in draft proposals by the Home Office to be sent to local authorities next month. They include a limit on the

area that can be burnt at any one time of six hectares (about 15 acres); firebreaks at least 25 metres wide; the presence of wo trained supervisors at every burning; and a requirement to till all ash into the soil within 36

#### Four on charity fraud charges Four men appeared in court

to obtain money by deception from the charity Children with Cancer.

# **Body identified**

Murder squad detectives will reveal today the name of the young woman found strangled on the Duke of Marlborough's estate at Stonesfield, Oxfordshire who is believed to be a finnish tourist aged 23.

# **Explosion charges**

Two youths aged 16 and another aged 17 are to appear before Oxford magistrates today charged with causing criminal damage with intent to endanger life after the explosion which damaged a telephone kiosk in the city on Tuesday.

# Draw brings Collectors join Sotheby's board Kasparov near victory

By Harry Golombek The vital tenth game in the

Korochnoi-Kasparov match of the Acom Computer world championships semi-finals cnded in a draw at the Great Eastern Hotel, London, on Wednesday. Korchnoi, with the white

pieces, obtained ao impressive position out of the opening and managed for all to break oper the position in an attempt to pmfil. Kasparov met this coolly, and Korchnoi got into time trouble, from which he eleverly extricated himself. Tenth game QGD Tartakower variation

White Korchnoi, Black Kasparov



# PC accused

Constable Thomas Andrews of the Royal Ulster Constabulary yesterday appeared in a Belfast court accused of murdering a Roman Catholic youth four days ago. He was remanded in custody until Monday.

# world's biggest art collectors, publisher, Mrs Milton Petrie, of 70 per cent on last years. That is and therefore potential sellers. New York: Mr Earl E. T. Smith, a figure that needs to be placed

to its group board as the board of Palm Beach, a former met for the first time since ambassador; and Mr L. H. the takeover by Mr Alfred Wexner, of Columbus, Ohio, a Taubman.

Taubman.

Baron Hans Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza, who inherited had found advisers who would superb collection housed in repersent not only different lugano, Switzerland, and has parts of the world but also added to it modern master- different parts of the United pieces, heads the list. Then States. They were people who comes Mrs Gordon Gelly, of dealt in the art markets of the San Francisco, wife of J. Paul world, could sense what was Getty's son. The Far East is represented with customers.

by Mr Seiji Tsutsumi, chairman of the Seibu group of retail for committee meetings and to enterprises. Unlike in the West, be shown around Sothehy's art exhibitions and sales are run offices and departments. They as prestige events by deport- were greeted by outstandingly ment stores in Japan, with buoyant figures for Sotheb Scibu among the groups most autumn turnover and annual interested in art.

The other new names include With another three or four Mr Emilio Gioia, of New York, days of sales to go. Sotherby's

# Clock sells for £42,307

By Our Sale Room Correspondent

important clocks on both sides of the Atlantic during the past 24 hours. In London yesterday a good example of the great cra of British clock making, a silver-mounted ebony spring clock made around 1675 by Joseph Knibb, sold for £24,200 (estimate £20,000-£25,000) to R. A. Lee, the London dealer In New York this price was

Sotheby's have been selling form of an eight-pointed comportant clocks on both sides pass, sold for \$60.500 (estimate \$30,000-\$40,000) or £42,307. The clock dates from around aboard the Russian Imperial Yacht, the Polar Star. Sotheby's sale of clocks and

happening, and had contacts

They arrived on Wednesday

watches totalled £188.540, with 21 per cent unsold. They also held a London jewel sale which made £397,403 with 14 per cent put in the shade. The Polar Star unsold and a watercolour sale Clock, a Faberge clock in gold, tolalling £67,276 with 17 per nephrite and enamel in the cent unsold.

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent Sotheby's announced yester- who has property interests. Mr day the addition of some of the Alexis Gregory, of New York, a tumover was up by more than

in context.

Last autumn was the period when Sothchy's turnover was most affected by the group's financial uncertainties and turnover was much lower than in 1981. Compared to that of 1981, this year's autumn has been more modest although showing a healthy increase of 23 per cent. The "freak" low figure of last year distorts the picture. On the other hand, the

company's profit figures for the financial year ended in August the £4m Sotheby's was predicting at the time Mr Taubman made his bid for the company in the summer.

# Nissan delay

Nissan of Japao appeared esterday to have delayed again a decision on its planned United Kingdon car manufacturing plant, this time until carly in January. The company's president. Mr Rakashi Ishihara, said in Tokyo he saw Only "a 50-50 chance" of reaching agreement win Nissan 1890 and was designed for use union leaders before the end on the year.

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# Kidnap brothers convicted of holding couple in terror for £2m ransom

guilty at the Central Criminal Cnurt yesterday of kidnapping a young couple and holding them captive for a £2m ransom.

George Panac, aged 30, a driving instructor, of Telford Avenue, Streatham, and his brother Anastasi, aged 36, a fish shop propricior, of Dunston Road, Baitersea, both south London, will be sentenced

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They were convicted of kidnapping Mr Emmanuel Xucreb aged 33, a winc merchant, and his wife Maria, 25, from their home at Treesway, Lodge Road, Bromley, Kent, in January, and holding them prisoner for five days at a house in Kemble Road, Croy-

don.
The brothers were found guilty by the jury's unanimous verdicts ofter a month-long trial. Both had denied all

charges.
A third member of the gang. Donald Gray, aged 27, uncmployed, a former boxer, of tened also to cut off his head Raleigh Gardens. Brixton, and "send it home in a box." south London, who pleaded Mrs Xuereh was also sexually guilty and gave evidence for the assaulted by one of the kidnap-Crown, also awaits sentence,

Mr and Mrs Xuereb were kidnapped as they arrived home alone with a ransom note. She

Shoplifting

**WPC** fought

to escape

Woman Police Constable

Susan Hillier pul up a struggle after being caught shoplifting and tried three times to escape

from a store detective, magis-

tates in Cheltenham. Glouces-

Mr James Coussey, for the prosecution, said Hillier had

He said that despite being

including two years as a

detective. She resigned from the

force on Tuesday.

Hillier was remanded until

**Bobby Moore on** 

yesterday charged with a driv-

Moore, who retired as a

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Quigley remand

on bomb charge

for a week at Lambeth Magis-trates' Court, south London, accused of conspiring with others to cause explosions likely

to endanger life or damage property.

The hearing lasted two

Masked mem fired shots when they held up a security vehicle at Hoo Junction, Lower Shorne, near Gravesend, Kent.

yesterday and stole £150,000 worth of British Rail wages.

found abandoned at Strood.

Mr lan Howell, aged 28, who

British Rail staff gave chase

Shots fired in

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near Rochester.

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Scots arrest

January 12 for reports:

drink charge

tershire, were told yesterday.

been on a shoplifting spree.



Panae. demanded £2m ransom

where they were held prisoner, bound, gagged and blindfolded. They were threatened with death while the gang demanded £2m in cash, gold coins and gold bars from the husband's tather, Mr Anthony Xuereb. 60, a Hallon Garden diamond

The kidnappers threatened to cul off Mr Emmanuel Xuereb's fingers and send them to his father one by one until the ransom was paid and threa-

Mrs Nucreb was released after a shopping trip and were remembered some details about Terrorist Squad men to taken to the Croydon house the house's location and was the house within 12 hours

able to locate the address for police, who later stormed the house at dawn. The police had been alerted to the kidnpping and bad recorded the calls to Mr Anthony Xuereb

Mrs Xucrab, had determined to do all she could to trap the gang by identifying the kidnap

With her bound hands she clawed at the carpet to force the fibres under her nails. Mrs Xuereb hoped that if they were eventually killed the fibres would assist forensie experts and police to trace the kidnappers. She also bit off some of her nails and left them under her mailress as further clues. As she sai helpless, and

blindfolded, her husband held captive in another room, she listened to nearby church bells and guessed their distance. She also gauged the direction of trains running close to the house and managed under her blindfold to earch a glimpse of the grey curtains.

When she was released to exert more pressure for the kidnappers' demands she assessed the distance the ear ravelled and memorised every left and right turn. Her recollection of the details enabled Anti-Terrorist Squad men to locate



Kidnap victims: Mr and Mrs Xuereb, whn were held under threat of death (Photograph:

# Valve error caused Sellafield leak

Nuclear Fuels, admitted yesterday that a misuoderstanding between shift managers led to

nation to the beach near the Sellafield formerly Windscale reprocessing plant on the Cumbria coast.

caught red-handed in Tesco's store, Cheltenham, where she was seen putting steaks and beef At a press conference at Sellafield Mr Allday said that a into a bag, Hillier protested her innocence to fellow officers. valve was turned because a Hillier, aged 3t, of St George's Road, Cheltenham, admitted three charges of manager had not read a record made in the log book three days earlier. He did not know that high-level radioactivity had not stealing food and clothes, worth a total of £35. She had been in been removed from water in a the police force for II years,

The error was a genuine misunderstanding, Mr Allday said althouth it should not have happened be was satisfied that the people involved had acted give absolute guarantees."

Mr Con Allday, chairman conscientiously and in good and chief executive of British faith. No one was to be faith. No one was to be suspended or dismissed.

"This incident is serious for the company and for the the discharge of a radioactive slick into the Irish Sea five weeks ago.

The incident caused contamiconcern and alarm and that we have fallen from the very highest standards I expect, But there is no evidence that anyone has been hurt or that there was a significant hazard to the

> The Department of the Environment has not yet lifted its warning to the public not to use the beach near Sellafield.

Mr Allday added: "We are confident with a high degree of certainty that it will not happen again because of new procedures including improved record-keeping, but no one can

# **BBC** shelves plan for pay-TV

By David Hewson and Bill Johnstone

broadcasting plans on ice yesterday after deciding that its proposals for a launch in 1986 of a pay television service were unviable.

The decision, at a meeting of the governors, does not rule out the corporation's involvement in later satellite projects, but appears to shelve immediate plans for a two-channel service showing films and entertainment programmes.

A Broadcasting House statement said: "The board recog-nized the great difficulties which remain 10 be overcome by the BBC, industry and others in establishing a viable DBS (direct broadcasting by satellite) service, but concluded that the BBC should continue to explore all possibilities which will lead to the setting up of a British

DBS system. United Satellites the prospec-tive manufacturers of the BBC

Arab cash

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By Juhn Lawless

The BBC put its satellite satellite system, remains convinced that the 1986 deadline for the television satellite launch can be met, despite the BBC's reluctance to sign a full contract.

The management of Uoisat, a consortium of British Aeros-pace, British Telecom and GEC-Marconi, is oervous about saying anything which might jeopardize the contract. Mr Daniel Gruneberg, managing director, said he was disappointed that no contract has been signed.

He said: "I would like them

to have signed a long time ago. We recognize all the profound issues that are at stake. The complexities are quite astonisb-

Studies by the BBC on consumer response to the satellite service coocluded that 200,000 subscribers would be the minimum needed for

# Threat of holiday pub strikes

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By Richard Evans An unprecedented strike which will sbut 280 public houses in northern England today could spread throughout Britain during the Christmas and new year festivities.

The National Association of Licensed House Managers gave unanimous backing yesterday to industrial action planned by managers employed by Pennine Host, the nurthern arm of a Grand Metropolitan subsidiary, over pay and

The strike will shut Host's northern public houses today, oo the two days before Christ-mas Day and New Year's Day, and on January 1.

The Host group runs about 1500 public houses Mr David Carter, the association's national secretary, said last night many of the elements in Host's pay package would reduce managers' pay

# will try to curb rowdy students

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspon

University vice-chancellors sought to reassure Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Education, at a private meeting this week that they would do all they could to control rowdy students on campuses but at the same time asked that ministers inform them when they were visiting their institutions.

This exchange oo the subject of free speech in universities arose at the routine autumn term meeting between the Comminee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals and the Minister

at Sir Keith's insistence.

He is understood to be distressed by what he calls "barbarism" on the campuses, such as the recent paint-throwing at Mr Michael Heseltioe, the Secretary of State for Defence, at Manchester University and the violent picketing of himself at Warwick

Manchester University was not informed officially of Mr Heseltine's visit, which took place the day after the announcement that cruise missiles had arrived on British soil, and was supposed to be an informal address to the Conservative

Mr Heseltine was barracked by a large group of students who prevented him from speaking for an hour by blocking a

staircase and then heckled him. The Warwick University incident was more organized. Knowing beforehand that Sir Keith was coming the students' union executive proposed a picket to protest at government cuts of the education service.

# Universities | One in four motorists drinks and drives

By Michael Bally

At least one in four motorist drinks and drives; and between the ages of 18 and 34 the proportion is as high as one in

That finding from extensive soundings by Harris Research in London and Nottingham, coincides with yesterday's report in *The Times* that one in four drivers tested for alcohol in a pre-Christmas exercise by Sussex police failed the test.

It will be discussed at t0.30pm today in a London Weekend Television programme, "Driving Drunk in London", which commissioned the research.

Questioned by pollsters, 37 per cent of London motorists (48 per cent of those aged between 25 and 34) admitted that they drank and drove occasionally or often. Half of those questioned thought it unlikely that they would be caught.

Road safely experts say that motorists' perception of their chance of being caught is crucial in determining whether they drink and drive. And the research suggests that this is far tower in London than in Nottingham.

Drivers in Nottingham are five times more likely to be hreath-tested than in London. according to Home Office figures. Last year the Metropolitan Police carried out 3.3 tests for every 1,000 Londoners. The national average is 4.2, and the police in Nortinghamshire carried out 15.8 to top the national

# Video editors' 'high' pay

London Weekend Television said yesterday that one of its videotape recorder editors had been earning £100,000 a year, not three as reported in The Times. The company refused to disclose the pay of its other video editors bul conceded that they were "high"

Figures supplied by LWT to Companies House show that for the year ending July, 1982, three employees – each believed to be a video editor, earned, respectively. ively, between £95,000 and £100,000, between £80,000 and £85,000, and between £70,000 and £75,000.

It is understood that overtime earnings by the same three employees substantially increased their wages this year.

The highest paid company director at LWT in 1982 received £54,299. In the same

year 233 workers received between £20,000 and £25,000; 113, £25,000 to £30,000; 19, £30,000 to £40,000; 17, £40,000 to £45,00 and three received £55.00 to £60,000. LWT denied that the video-

tape recorder team shift leader who earned more than £100,000 last year received such high wages because of a local agreement. It said that the payments resulted from a national ITV agreement, though it is understood that no other ITV company has video editors who regularly earn more than £50.00 a year.



# In the steps of Sir John

Eight meo from the Ist Battalion The Royal Green Jackets will spend their Christmas leave in nineteenth-century oniform, retracing the steps of Sir Juhn Moore's retreat to Corunna in t808. The men, led by Captain

Charles Blackmore, wilt leave Sabagun, south-east of Leon, on Christmas Eve and march to

the same timings and follow the same route as Sir John's division, reaching Corunna, more than 300 miles to the north-west, no January 13.

Sir Jnhn safely withdrew his men, who had been in danger of encirclement by Napoleon's army, but was killed in battle nn January 16, 1808. (Photograph: Brian Harris)

Gulf Air is thought to be paying £150,000 to have its name on the Chelsea shirts for just the remaining half of this Mr Ken Bates, the club chairman, said that it would represent the most lucrative deal in football sponsorship if it is carried through to next season, which may depend on whether Chelsea does indeed climb back to the first division. British football supporters have only just got used to their game being propped up by cash from Japanese corporations, with Canon sponsoring the League and JVC backing Arsenal. But the Chelsea coup.

celebrated at the Stamford Bridge ground, with coffee and dates in honour of their tectotal guests, is unique.

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The contract calls for Chelsea to send its coaching specialists into the four states, which own the airline: Bahrain, Oman, Qutar and the United Arab Emirates. "And the most promising players will compare the contract of the promising players will come back to Chelsea to train and, hopefully, to play in the British league", Mr Bates said. The prospects are favourable

for Chelsea getting a renewal of the deal next year. The club is second in the second division and Gulf Air was one of the world's few airline profit-makers last year, making



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and many other ways of insulating your home and saving money, simply send for our free booklet.

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# Schoolboy takes driving test man to court

in a car but eventually lost the raiders' van, which was later Mr Andrew Rowland, aged 18, failed his driving test last week because of undue hesitancy. Torquay Magistrates' Court in Devon was told yesterday. But it was the examiner. Mr Barry James, who was the hesitant one, magis-

was being sought for questioning about the death of Jennifer Wright, whose body was found trates were told. Mr James did not signal for Mr Rowland to do his emergin a hostel in Oxford last week, ency stop until nine minutes was arrested near Inverness late would be coming.

Mr Rowland, who is studying Christmas lights for his A levels at Torquay Grammer School, took Mr Mrs Mary Scotney, aged 76, switched a thousand Christmas have the test deemed to have rates. But the increases in some lights on yesterday at her home been conducted improperly. But of PPP's large voluntary paid and garden to Nene Parade, at the magistrates found to Mr March, Cambridgeshire, where the centrepiece is a 30ft high James' favour and ordered Mr Rowland to pay £30 costs.

# Private health insurance subscriptions to rise

Sharn increases in private tions will go up by between only health insurance are on the way 4 per cent and 10 per cent in from January for some subscribers to Private Patients Plan (PPP), the second largest of the

health insuarnce groups. Subscriptions will rise to a level about 15 per cent higher than a year ago for many individual subscribers, with increases ranging from 7.5 per after he had first warned him it | cent to 35 per cent on last

January. The rise for members in small company-paid schemes will be between 26 per cent and James to court io a rare case to 34 per cent on last January's

groups will be far smaller. The increases come as Bupa io the 30 to 39 age group, but has announced that its subscrip- £440 for those aged 45 to 49.

January on the rates a year ago. But the net effect of the groups, which between them share most of the market, broadly competitive. Direct comparisons between

subscription rates are complicated by differences in terms and conditions, hut Bupa's individual subscription for a married mao aged 30 to 49 with two children, providing cover for private and teaching hospitals outside London, will oow be £434 a year.

PPP's equivalent will be £381

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Mr Len Murray's victory has a significance that goes well beyond the NGA and the newspaper industry. It con-firms the trend that became evident at the TUC in Blackpool in September towards moderation and a greater emphasis on the industrial role of the unions in the leadership of the movement. This is an npproach that requires fewer political gestures, fewer strikes an principle and a greater readiness to calculate the odds before acting.

The odds in this instance

were that the NGA was unlikely to win, that the trade nnion movement as n whole could not be mobilized in its support, and that to back the NGA in unlawful action would expose the TUC both financially and politically. In its new bardheaded mood the general council was prepared to draw ons before committing itself to action.

It is a mood that reinforces and has been reinforced by Mr Niurray's more assertive leadership. For years his style was istinctly cautious. Now that be leels sure of support he is taking a more positive line that gives point and coherence to trends that might otherwise not he expressed in consistent decisions. He embodies the new

No assurance of industrial peace

it does not offer an assurance of industrial peace. My guess is that when the moderate leaders do get into a dispute they will he determined to prove that they are no pushover. But they will be reluctant to give TUC backing to futile, self-destructive strikes. That in itself should be a development of no small importance.

But there are broader conclosions to be drawn from this episode. It means that the Government's industrial relations legislation will be enforced. The unions will seek to persuade the Government to modify its new proposals. They will hope that a future government will repeal the Thatcher legislation. Bot they will not be able to prevent its being put late effect during the lifelime of this Government.

Whether the legislation endures beyond that will comes part of what Sir Keith Joseph has termed "the common ground" - whether, in other words, it becomes generally accepted by the country at large that no administration would dare to discard it.

As members of the Government, ministers have every reason to be pleased that the unions will not be able to block the implementation of the industrial relations laws. But as Conservative politicians they may have rather more cause for concern. The unons will know that the only way to get rid of the legislation will be to get rid of the Government, which may induce them to give more wholehearted support to the Labour Party than they might

Opting for more limited role

The unions are now opting for a more limited role than the one they have aspired to previously. So long as the present trend continues here will be no nonsense about seeking to make and break governments The tendency will be for union leaders to concentrate on getting the best that they can for their members on The basis of excisting laws by dealing with whatever party is elected to office.

be popular, or at least less unpopular, with the public. II accords with the general idea of what unions are there for. It should also lead to fewer of those excesses which have done so much to bring the trade union movement a bad name in recent years. If this is so, it will be good for the economic and social life of the country. It would also suggest that the unions might become less of a unions might become less of a bogey, and that association with them might become rather less of a handicap for the

Bal while the trend is towards moderation at the top of the union movement, it would be foolish to suppose that the militants have melted away. There are a number of important unions which remain under hardline control or at least very much subject to hardline influence. If that continues, and there is no evidence that it will not, the prospect will be for a greater polarization between

moderate and militant unions. The majority of unions may be becoming more realistic, be will it still be possible to think of a single, reasonably conhe-

# Action, if need be, over rebate

EEC BUDGET

Minister said during question time in the Commons that she was greatly disappointed by the decision aken in the European Parliament this (Thursday) morning to freeze navment of Britain's refund of payment of Britain's refund of budget contributions. However, this had happened last year and the refunds were paid by the end of March.

March.
Replying in a call from Mr Neil
Kimsock, Leader of the Opposition,
for Britain to withold payments to the EEC in protest, she said that if Britain did not get its full refund it might have in take action to refeguerd its position.

Mr Kinnock said: in view of the provocative and prejudiced action of the European Parliament, will the Prime Minister now withold the

Murray's

action

praised

£475m from our contribution in lieu of the rebate which is rightfully belonging to the British people.

Mrs Thatcher Like him, I was greatly disappointed by the vote in the European Parliament. So far, the Community is not in default with Britain. This time last year the Parliament rejected n budget containing United Kingdom refunds nevertheless were in the end paid by the end of March.

Mr Kinnock: All that means is that vithout resolving it. The condem nation and disappointment from the Prime Minister is nothing more than huffing and puffing. (Con-servative laughter).

Lack of decisive action will simply be read as further equivo-cation by her on this issue. Why is she so resolved to be irresolute? Why is she so wet on this subject?

the British people and insist on fundamental reform of the common agricultural policy so we are not ruled any longer by the convenience of others, not until next March, or

next time or any time in the future?

Mrs Thatcher. He has repeatedly shown I cannot rival him in huffing shown I cannot rive him in winning and puffing. (Conservative cheers). This time last year the European Assembly passed a similar resolution. Nevertheless, we got our full refunds on time. It is, therefore, possible that we may get our full refunds on time.

possible that we may get out had refunds on time.

If not, we shall have to take action to safeguard our position. I hope that will not be necessary, but if it were we would have to take it. Sir High Fraser (Stafford, C): At this time of good will, will the Prime Minister suggest in her colleagues, heads of state and prime ministers, EEC, next year's elections should be

Mrs Thatcher: Such a proposal would be fir from welcome and I am not sure whether it would be welcome in this House to postpone

FISHERIES

The last piece of the common

fisheries policy jigsaw was now in place and the Government was

already into discussions about the 1984 total allowable catches, Mr

Michael Jopling Minister of Agriculture, fisheries and Food

and quotas for 1984. There was

close touch with representatives of the industry and I am grateful for the strong and sensible support which they have given. They

relcomed the settlement reached.
At my request the EEC Com-

mission are approaching the Norwegians today (Thursday) to

which will permit fishing for herring

arly as possible in 1984.

The Council also endorsed the

ment between the Community

in the North Sea to commence as

and Norway on total allowable catches (TACs) and shares of the joint stocks other than herring and

on reciprocal fishing rights. There is some concern about the level of the

TACs for North Sea white fish

stocks. We had previously managed

arrangements

seek to establish

leclared in the Commons.

that election. It would be far better if the election went shead on time and the heads of Government, in the two meetings before that, made the strongest effort to solve the

He was reporting on the decisions made yesterday by the EEC Council of Fisheries Ministers which, be £3.7m to police or risheries Ministers which, be explained resolved the main outstanding problems affecting the common fisheries policy and started talks on the total allowable carches Greenham

It has cost the Thames Valley police authority about £3,700,000 to police Greenham Common airbase, Mr. Douglas Hard, Minister of State, Home Office, said in a Commons written reply.

# Minister's warning to councils who overspend budget

**NGA DISPUTE** Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during question time that she welcomed the courageous that she wercomed the countageous action of the General Secretary of the TUC (Mr Len Murray) and those who supported him in deciding not to contravene the

Employment Act.

She had been asked by Mr
Timothy Smith (Beaconsfield, C)
Has she noted the contrast between the responsible line taken by Mr Len Murray and the majority of the statement in support of the National Graphical Association issued by the Campaign Group of Labour MPs, one of whom is Mr Michael Meacher (Oldham West), a member of the Shadow Cabinet? What conclusions does she draw from

Mrs Thatcher: I bope those MPs will unequivocally support the decision of the general council of the

Trade union leaders who opposed personal freedom should not be ennobled, Mr Eric Cockeram (Ludlow, C) said later. Mrs Thatcher, He will know that many will stand up for personal freedom and have upheld the law. It would be as well if we did not in this House go into questions about

#### Next week's business

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be; Monday, Motion for the Christmas ent. Proceeding on the Consolidated Fund Bill, Tuesday: Health and Social Security Bill, second reading. Wednesday: Housing and Building Control Bill, remaining stages. Thursday: Christmas adjournment

debates. The main business in the House of Lords will be:
Monday: Cable and Broadcasting
Bill, second reading.
Tuesday: Roads (Scotland) Bill, committee. Amusement Machines

Bill, committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS

Changes in practices proposed by the Stock Exchange would enable it to operate in a freer, more competitive atmosphere and fully justified the Government's decision that litigation through the Restric-tive Practices Court should not proceed Lord Cockfield, speaking for the Government, said in the House of Lords when moving the

House of Lords when moving the

second reading of the Restrictive Trade Practices (Stock Exchange Bill).

The Bill exempts certain agreements relating to the Stock Exchange from the Restrictive Trade Practices Act 1976, and ends the court action. It is estimated the provision of the Bill will save 1500 000 in making constitutions.

Lord Cockfield said the Govern-

provision of the Bill will : £500,000 in public expenditure.

and I did not wish to make the change coincide with the general property revaluation of April 1985, It will mean changes in the amount of gram paid to a number of authorities. SCOTTISH RATES Urging Scottish local authorities in

Urging Scottish local authorities in get their spending inm line with expenditure provision, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said in the Commons that if they did there could on average be a decrease in rates, although he accepted that the individual circumstances of authorities would produce variations around the average. duce variations around the average.

In a statement on the rate support

In a statement on the rate support grant settlement for Scotland for 1984-85, be said he considered it in be a very fair settlement. There was no need for rates to go up if authorities reduced their expenditure, as he had been urging them to do since 1979. If authorities overspend (he added) I will take appropriate action but I hope that authorities will make

that unnecessary.

He said he would lay before the House in due course an RSG order and report for 1984-85 providing for total relevant expenditure of £3,205.9m and aggregate grants of £1,930m. Current expenditure within the total was £2,736.6m, slightly above the provisional figure amounced in July, reflecting mainly technical adjustments. The rate of grant was 60.2 per cent compared with 61.7 per cent in the present

year.
The provision for relevant expenditure represents a cash increase of 3.8 per cent over the provision for 1983-84 once account national insurance surcharge. It is also some £60m above the provision for 1984-85 indicated in the public expenditure White Paper, For 1984-85 £75m will not be allocated to

the Government considers desir-Current expenditure guidelines were issued to all authorities on November 18 1983. Guidlines for 1984-85 include the provision not allocated to services and have been constructed to take account relative spending needs of auth-

services in recognition that auth-orities are likely in spend more than

In 1984-85 the needs element (which accounts for 87 per cent of rate support grant) will be distributed on the same basis as that on which guidelines are constructed,

namely the client group.

Although Coslar officially asked Bill, committee.

Wednesday: Coal Industry Bill, second reading. Repatriation of mail 1985-86, there is a wide measure of agreement that this change should be deferred until 1985-86, there is a wide measure of agreement that this measure of agreement that this change should be deferred until 1985-86, there is a wide measure of agreement that this change should be deferred until 1985-86, there is a wide measure of agreement that this change should be deferred until 1985-86.

responding to changing circumstances and opportunities.

The Stock Exchange had cooper-

ated fully over the changes proposed

which would allow it to evolve and respond in changes under the spur

of competition, particularly interna-

said) and proceeding at a greater rate than many would have thought possible and that is all to the good.

the matters should be dealt with by

Acts of Parliament was fully justified. Law enforcement agencies must proceed under the law as it

stood and responsibility fot the law rested with Parliament and no one

Lord Brace of Donington (Lab), for the Opposition, said the basic principles behind the Bill amounted

of law, which Parliament had a right

to do.

But (he said) it was very, very rarely interfered with the process of law once that process has got into

Change is already evident (he

The Government's decision that

tiof competition.

in order to dampen the effects, I

propose transitional arrangements which will limit the grant loss to authorities to the equivalent of a 24p rate at resional level and a 1p rate at district level.

All authorities have been told in finance circular 14/1983 issued on December 14 of the amounts of grant they will receive in 1984-85 if the House approves the rate support He later agreed with Sir Hector

Moaro (Dunival cries from Cosla, authorities such as Dumfries and Galloway had reduced rates last year to the benefit of both industry and ratepayers. Mr Donald Dewar, chief Opposition spokesman on Scotland, said the statement confirmed that the Government was determined to pursue its wrong-headed vendetta against local services and those who

used them. We regard this statement (he said) as a wretched Christmas present for the ratepayers and those who depend on local services. Mr



Younger: No need for rates to go up

established his reputation as an impenerous Scrooge and it is high time that he repented and reversed these unreasonable policies. Mr Younger said his generosity in

grants had only been reflected in increased spending which had put a wanted spending reductions. Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles, SNP) said Mr Younger could talk until he was blue in the face but all

Bill, before the election, but it had

come into being immediately afterwards. That meant either there

had been a gross error of judgment in the first instance in referring the

matter to court, ot there had been a

Government since.
What the Government was doing

in the Bill was giving itself liberty to

arrive at agreements with the Stock Exchange that might infringe the rules of free competition and

monopoly.

It was a bad precedent. It gave

some colour to the belief that there was one law for the strong who had money power behind them and another for the weak.

Lord Brahazon of Tara (C), a member of the Stock Exchange, in a maiden speech, said he was in favour of the Bill as he thought the

majority of the members were. The rule book as it now existed was

The arrangements between the Secretary of State and the chairman of the Stock Exchange had attracted some criticism. But he would

remind the House that the Stock

mainly to protect the poblic.

The Government was dishonest in boasting about reducing the figures for civil servants because DHSS work has been pessed in local authorities just when they were going to get less money to do it.

Mr Younger said the cuts Mr Stewart had talked of were not torne out by the facts. Corrected for inflation, local authority spending in 1978-79 was £2,517m; in the current were it were £2,61 m; in the current year it was £2.661m in rea

Mr Richard Donglas (West Dun-fermline, Lab): Which authorities have indicated to him that they might reduce their rates? What will be the effect of this policy on the fabric of local democracy?

Mr Younger: On average, if local Mr Younger On Inverage, it tocal authorities were to meet the expenditure figures I have put down — and over 20 of them are already doing that in the current year — they would be able to reduce rates by between five and six per cent. Local democracy is unimpaired

by the fact that, as the previous government and this Government have always insisted, the national economy has to have some assurance that local authorities will not eat up too much of the public expenditure available.

# **Procedure for** complaints against police

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, has concluded that no case has been made out for radical changes to present arrange-ments for dealing with complaints against police in Scotland. In a written reply in the Commons, he reactions to a consultation document issued in October last year,

He said that specific areas had been identified where modest improvements could be made, where guidance would be desirable and existing good practices in individual forces might be extended nationally.

In particular, some clarification of the "double jeopardy" rule would be helpful and he was considering with the Lord Advocate what guidance might be issued to chief constables.

Bill will allow Stock Exchange to evolve

Exchange motto was "My word is my bond".

If we have said (he added) that we

will deliver the goods we will, I am

Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C), said he was less happy about the Bill than any other which had been proposed

during the session. It seemed to be

contrary to the general philosophy and approach of the Government

because the emphasis which had previously been placed on compe-

tition and the operation of the law, seemed in be a little blurred by the

It was oppossible to get away

It was onpossible to get away from the suggestion that it involved some interference in the operation of the law. He was puzzled as to why the action was being taken now when the reference in the court had

Lord Cockfield, replying, said the Stock Exchange had progressively shown a greater willingness to adapt itself and to abandon many of its

The Bill was read a second time,

been made five years ago.

#### proposals for TACs and quotas for 1984 on which I raised a mumber of points of concern to the United Kingdom. The Council will resume Bid to stop salmon

of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, told the commons at question time. In particular, proposals for a salmon tagging scheme made in the report Salmon.

the results of this examination and those concerning the other salmon issues set out in our consultation paper on the review of inland and coastal fisheries in England and Wales, as soon as possible.

As for the intercepting fisheries beyond 12 miles, these now come within the scope of the recently established North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization.

January 16, 1984, and we shall seek to ensure that it plays an effective role in safeguarding nur salmon

the salmon rivers Mr MacGregor: I am anxious to do discussion of these proposals at its next meeting in January. For the month of January, the Council agreed that fishing should continue on the basis of a rollover of the 1983 quotas as modified by the Agree-

stable fishing industry

Prospects for developing a

ment with Norway.
Lastly, the Community's agreement with Canada was approved by
the Council. This provides for some fishing opportunities for the UK in Canadian waters and for fair and Canadian waters and for fair and effective trade arrangements which adequately protect our catchers and Processors,

Sir Michael Shaw (Scarborough, C): He deserves the congratulations not only of the whole House but of the whole of the British fishing industry for the hard and constructive wo



Shaw: A fair and constructive future

that agreement can be reached so as to bring about a fair and constructive future for the fishing

having got this far, he will continue to spare no effort to make sure that the agreement of the 1984 quotas and the implementation, of the agreement that has been won will be

Mr Jopling: I am greatful for his most generous words. We shall begin as soon as possible to continue this work which was started yesterday. One very helpful thing about 1984 quotas has been we have already discussed them within a few days of the Commission publishing them and I shall seek to get them a rut into effect as seek to get them put into effect as soon as possible. Mr Austin Mitchell .. (Great

to obtain larger transfers of cod from the Norwegians but, again at my request, the Commission have undertaken urgently to discuss with the Norwegians increased availability of North Sea cod. that, what steps will be take for compensation, in financial terms or The Council went on to agree on TACs and quotas for 1983, including a number of improvements which we secured in the in other quotas, for an industry which is gong to suffer badly if they negotiations on stocks of interest to are reduced. There was a preliminary discussion of the Commission's

Mr Jopling I am well aware of the problems which arise with regard to the North Sea cod stocks. The scientists' original proposal was on the basis of 182,000 tonnes. I put

possible to persuace me scanner to raise their estimates and, as a consequence of that pressure, this consequence of that pressure, this tonner. I am still not sutisfied with that and that is why the Comon at my request have today

begun discussion raise that quota. Mr John Townend (Bridlington, C): Is he aware that as a result of opening up the North Sea to henring fishing the area between six and 12 miles off the coast of Bridlington will be open for French herring fishermen for the first time in living

What efforts will be made make sure the French only fish for hearing and not other species and do

not damage the fixed gear of the British fishermen? Mr Jopling. The best thing is that we ought to see how we get on and if we start finding any evidence that there are abuses of the rules in the

areas close to his constituency hope he and I will be able discuss and take the appropriate action. Mr Robert Hughes, chief Oppo-NIT Robert rangues, ciner Oppo-sition spokesman on fisheries (Aberdean North, Lab). The agreement seems to be precisely the same as that on the table in October this year. The quota concluded is still well below the demand from the

industry for 34 per cent of the catch of herring.

It was the wise management and wise political decisions taken by the previous Labour government which made sure there was any herring left.

It is hardly a magnificent victory since the issue will be reopened in January because we will then have to begin the round of deciding the I 984 catches.

cut by 18 per cent and the proposition for North sea hering is that our share will be cut by 7 per cent and contrary to the industry being satisfied, they are arguing that

the cost to the fleet will he £80m. We went through the whole of We went through the whole of 1893 with stop-gap solutions and we lare going to go through the whole of 1984 on precisely the same basis.

Mr Jopling, He said the figures agreed yesterday for North Sea herring were the same as n few weeks ago. That is not strictly true.

There are important changes in those figures and these small but vital changes gave us the deal we When he said the industry was

Mr Austin Mitchell (Great Grimsby, Lab): Will he undertake to see there is no reduction in our North Sea cod cauches and failing were on the basis of a very much tonnes, where we are now talking about 150,000 tonnes.

He is utterly wrong in saying the

agreement on herring yesterday means we have got to start again in a short time. The agreement we made yesterday with regard to herring will have staying power for the years ahead and there will be no the years ahead and there will be no renegotiation of the case we arranged yesterday.

# poaching

FISH AND FOOD

The Government is considering measures to reduce the numbers of salmon taken iflegally especially by organized gangs within the 12 mile limit, Mr John MacGregor, Minister Conservation - A New Approach
were being examined to see whether
they could be given practical
application.
We shall (be went on) announce

The organization's first meeting will take place in Edinburgh from

Mr Roy Mason (Barnsley Central, Lab): He should take steps to ban the use of monofilament gill nets and in restrict the issue of licences

Mr Also Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L): Will he distinguish between poaching and properly regulated legal fishing both at sea and in the rivers which provides a livelihood for fishermen in areas like Northuberland? Mr MacGregor: It is posching in particular which we are most

Tougher rules to control straw burning

concerned about

Mrs Peggy Fenner, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said in the Commons that she had been discussing with the National Farmers Union a stronger code for straw burning which would be backed by tougher new model by-

She booed this would be in time for district councils to make their by-laws before the next season. Mrs Fenner was answering Commons questions on the problems caused by burning of straw and stubble waste. During which Mr John Farr (Harborough, C) had said it would help if a revised and strict could be introduced before the

elaborate arrangements would

need to be made if such traffic

Mr Clement Frend (Cambridgeshire

Import of paté de fois gras to continue

Mrs Feuner, Parliamentary Scirctary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisherics and Food, replying to a Commons question, said she knew of no evidence in justify controls on the importation of pate de foie grass into the United Kingdom.

Mr Phillip Oppenheim (Amber Valley, C): Extreme cruelty is involved in the production of this pate, most of which is produced in France and eastern Europe. Anyone attempting to produce it in the United Kingdom would almost certainly be prosecuted under the 1876 Cruelty in Animals Act.

In there not an excellent case for a la there not an excellent case for a total ban of this luxury product? auspices of the Council of Emrope there was a special inquiry by a group of experts into this practice in France. They concluded that although they did not find the practice particularly appealing they saw no evidence of suffering of cruelty. I know of no new evidence... We work hard to promote animal welfare through international agreement throughout the Command the world.

# ment took the view that uncertainty over the Stock Exchange's future resulting in the long period before ditigation would be resolved, was inhibiting the Stock Exchange from There had been no mention of the Minister criticizes gas and electricity campaigns

The more limited role should **ADVERTISING** 

industries spent £21,800,000 on advertising and promotion. The result of the advertising battle being waged by these two state owned industries (she said) was that consumers are in inter-confusion as to which is true of the

various conflicting claims.

She recalled that in a statement profits the Government announced a compulsory reduction in the amount spent on advertising and promotion. It should consider doing the same for these two equally nationalized industries.

The Earl of Avon replied that the

figures for advertising were £22m for one industry and £23m for the On this campaign (he went on) I would agree that we all deplore advertising which is a denigration of products. To the extent that this took place, I think it was improved.

The Earl of Avon explained that the current campaign against the electricity supply industry was being paid for by a private consortium of manufacturers and not by the Gas Corporation.

> The electricity industry had taken an advertisement in the Advertising Standards Authority and a report on it was coming out shortly. Lord Stoddart, for the Opposition: I Lord Shoddart, for the Opposition: It am glad the minister deprecated this type of yahboo advertising.
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> The Earl of Aron said that of the amount spent on electricity advertising £9m was on energy efficiency and £1m on education.

Wheel clamps

Between May 16, when the experimental wheel clamping scheme was introduced, and November 18, 22,450 vehicles were clamped and the gross revenue, received up to November 18 was \$431,418, Lord Ettae, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, told the Home of Lords at meetical told the House of Lords at question

Commons (9.30); House Buyers Bill

second reading Lords (11): Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons

(Amendment) (No 2) Bill and Disabled Persons Bill, second

Parliament today

the licences for most long-distance radio transmitters re-voked. The question of censor-

By Rodney Cowton Defence Correspondent In a big, but non-nuclear, war international communications by telephone and telex would

have to be severely restricted. A system of censorship of the press, television and radio would be required, and the Government would need to take powers to close publi-cations which did not conform. Censors would have to be stationed in cable offices and

ing mail, freight and material carried by travellers could be left to be decided at the time. These are among the conclusions of a study group under the chairmanship of General Sir Hugh Beach, former Master-General of the Ordnance.

Th group has spent most of this year trying to reconcile in time of conflict the demands of military security with those of the democratic right to have as much information as possible in an environment in which advanced electronics are making it increasingly difficult technically to control the dissemination of news.

The group, whose report, The Protection of Military Information, was published yester-

day was set up in February by



General Sir Hugh Beach (left) and Mr Heseltine: Balancing wartime security against the right to know

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, after widespread dissatisfaction in the media with the system of vetting reporters' copy during the Falklands conflict last year. The committee considered

limited conventional wars, but specifically excluded a nuclear Arguing in favour of a system of censorship in time of war, it says: "The protection of infor-mation which, if it reached the enemy might hinder the ef-

ficient prosecution of oper-ations, but lives at risk and

ultimately prejudice the defence of the realm then becomes of

the demands of both big and

times "the onus must rest on government to determine what information needs to be protected. "Censorship should seek only

to prevent the untimely disclosure of information which would prejudice our own or allied operations and assist the enemy..... It should not be used politically as a fig-leaf to hide incompetence, poor judgment, tactical errors or indeed enemy

It says the implications of the move to automation in communications systems have been serious for the protection of military information. "During chemy. the Second World War because

were to be controlled . . . the number of censors would need to be very high indeed." As much news as possible whether good or bad, should reach the people, though there would be occasions when a government might seek to delay news of a defeat. Deliberate

tion should form no part of any censorship system. the report recommends a system of "discretionary consorship" closely related to that used during the Second World War, and says that provided the system "were enlightened, fair and efficient we believe that most journalists would accept

dissemination of false infor-

mation through the media should be eschewed, and decep-

Such a voluntary system would be based on extensive guidance to editors of what types of material should not be published, and should be underpinned by a regulation making it an offence for any person to obtain or pass on nformation of use to the

censorship."

vital importance." At such of the manual nature of the serious war the Home Secretary

News control in war of electronics age system all telephone calls to and should be given powers to from the United Kingdom suspend publications which could be monitored today systematically fomented opposition to the successful pros-ecution of the war or which systematically published infor-

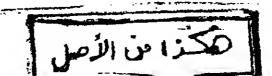
mation that was directly damag-ing to the war effort. For widespread wars it recommends the establishment of a censorship organization based in the United Kingdom to which editors could refer. together with one in the field to monitor war correspondents' copy. For further localized conflicts, such as that in the Falklands, the committee rejects the idea of having a formal censorship system at home.

It specifically rejects the system which operated during the Falklands conflict in which correspondents' reports were vetted before despatch from the South Atlantic and again by the Ministry of Defence in London. Other points made are: The media in general, and

television in particular, should refrain from showing close-up pictures of untreated casuallit and should delay identifying casualties until the next of kin could be informed.

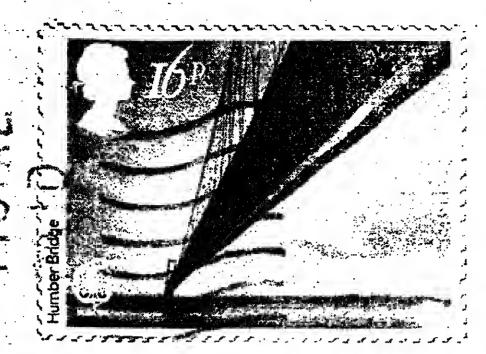
The Protection of Military Information: Report of the Study Crosspon Consorship, Command No 9112, Stationery Office, £6.40.

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# omething as quickly as possible on I summer. The present system had salmon petting. My department has examined it and I shall discuss it not worked. with Lord Gray of Continn, Minister of State for Scotland, who has been having a series of meetings with special interests north of the border. North East, L.) asked what encouragement Mrs Fenner would give to industry to make surplus stubble and straw into briqueties for heating or cattle food. On fishing nets, our scientists are researching into the effects but have on paging the effects but have so far found no firm evidence that the rate of escape is greater than from other nets or that in escaping surplus straw. We are contributing from other nets or that in escaping surplus straw. We are contributing from the rate of escape is done. To be from the research into different ways in the research ways in the research into different ways in the research ways in t





Trafalgar House have just announced another record year. Turnover up 33% to £1.4b. Profits up 20% to £79m. Dividends up 18% to £21m.

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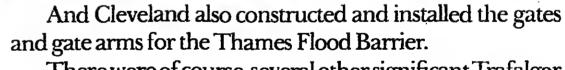
Philatelists also had more than an inkling of what was going to come.

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a High Court judge in London to the unmasking of a "mole" in the Government service. The surrender, however, is to be delayed until tonight to allow the newspaper time to appeal.

Judgment in the appeal is expected today, *The Guardian* assured the High Court, bowever, that it would obey the courts' final order.

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Mr Justice Scott rejected arguments by the newspaper's lawyer, Lord Rawlinson of Ewell, QC, that il was entitled to protect anonynmous source under the Contempt of Court

The memorandum, about the delivery of cruise missiles to Greenham Common, was published by the newspaper on October 31.

Nr Miehael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, and Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General, asked for the document back unmutilated so that they could identify the source from markings on it.

The judge said that the newspaper did not contest that the Secretary of State and the Attorney General were the rightful owners of the document. It was also accepted that no damage will be, or has been, suffered by its publication.

The newspaper claimed that under the Contempt Act it would bave to reveal its source

Aid groups

worried by police Bill

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

Voluntary bodies added yes-

terday to growing concern that the Police and Criminal Evi-

dence Bill would allow confi-

dential records and documents

The Law Society has already

criticized loopholes leaving

private legal, medical and journalistic material open to

The National Council for

Voluntary Organisations has

now urged Mr Leon Brittan,

The council has written on

behalf of a wide range of

voluntary bodies worried that

to make a "harsh" choice. They

could cease recording clients'

personal details or withdraw guarantees that such infor-

mation would be held in

Mr Nicholas Hinton, its

NCVO and a number of other

voluntary organizations would

prefer to see a simpler pro-

cedure, giving clearer protection to the records of voluntary

organizations, whether held by

Alternatively, the council

would like amendments to the

Bill extending the scope of

excluded material and protect-

the Bill yesterday approved

Clause 4, which regulates police

powers to mount road checks.

The standing committee on

paid staff or volunteers."

ing it from seizure.

director, says in the letter:

confidence.

search and seizure.

Bill at committee stage.

to be seized, despite Govern-ment undertakings.

justice, national security, or for yesterday to hand over a secret the prevention of disorder or memorandum that could lead crime. It claimed that none of the prevention of disorder or those conditions applied.

But the judge said that the Act could not be used to limit the right of an owner to recover

Mr Simon Brown, for the Secretary of Sate and the Attorney General had argued that there was a matter of national security at stake because the leak showed that someone in a high place in the Government service was un-trustworthy. He said that "national security required that he be identified and got rid of" the judge said.

It had also been argued that other Governments might be reluctant to share information with Britain until the source was identified, but the judge said be did not think it was selfevident that other Govern-ments might react as described.

The judge said it was a case where "injustice" might be done if he refused to grant the order. Further, if he was wring on his interpretation of the Contempt Act there would be an arguable case to be tried on the question of security.

In ordering that the docu-ment should be handed over he also ordered the newspaper to pay the costs of the hearing.

was so well preserved by the Cheshire peat bog in which it

had lain for more than 1,500

years that it still contained parts

of the brain, hair and ligaments when it was found earlier this

Indeed, it was only when the

remains were sent to the radio-

carbon dating laboratory at Oxford University that the

police discovered that it could

not have belonged to Reyn-

Because the skull was so well

The skull was found in May

by a workman excavating peat

for a Somerset mushroom farm

about 300 yards from Heath-field Cottage in Wilmslow

where Reyn-Bardt killed his

wife, probably during an argu-

ment over money. When the

police were brought in they sent

a team of investigators to the

mushroom farm to sift through

the rest of the peat for further

from the hair of the skull or a

leather working awl. Experts are

from Roman or Saxon times.

who had previously denied

But the only other item found

loopholes and ambiguities will photograph of the missing wife, Roman occupation of Britain,

Home Secretary, to revise the Bardt's wife, Marika, who died

give police access to the files. the pathologist who first exam-Faced with that threat, the ined it was convinced that it

Organizations say they will have came from Marika.

in June. 1960.

The Reyn-Bardt case

Why an ancient skull

trapped a killer

The woman's skull which led killing his wife, confessed and

remains. But when a further

search proved fruitless, the

police decided to send the skull

The Oxford archaeological

research laboratory was chosen

because it has just developed a

new £500,000 radio-carbon

mass spectrometer which can

date organic material to within

skull had belonged to a woman

Tests, which were completed

According to Dr John Gow-

lett, senior archaeologist at the

Oxford radio-carbon unit, the

remains of severed heads of

have been found in peat bogs in various parts of northero

Europe, particularly Denmark

found in Lancashire. Another

was found in Cumbria, also

during the nineteenth century

After dating the skull, Dr Gowlett visited the spot where

wet. Other research into local

the bog in ancient times.

was found and discovered

when peat was dug by hand.

In 1824 a similar skull was

Archeologists believe that the

and Ireland.

women from the Dark Ages

for radio-carbon dating

a 140-year period.

to Peter Reyn-Bardt's con- was taken to Heathfield Cottage

fession to the killing of his wife to point out the exact spot was so well preserved by the where he had buried her

preserved and the structure of had died in about AD410

the nose matched that in a during the final years of the

But the only other item found heads, always of women, were in that and other scarches of the huried either as part of some

land surrounding Heathfield ritual or because they were

unsure whether the pin dates that the ground was still very

Confronted with the dis-covery of the skull, Reyn-Bardt, wooden track had run across

Cottage was a two-ineh long guilty of some heinous crime.

Marek Zwiefka-Sibley and Emma Lesiecka in London

yesterday holding some of the 15,000 cards being sent to

Polish refugee children in Austria (Photograph: Bill

How to spot

that short

measure

By Tony Samstag

houses may be serving short

measures of spirits, a survey of hotels and bars in Merseyside has shown. Trading standards officers bought about 60 drinks

and found that more than 35 of

Although Merseyside County

who were fined a total of more

than £800, officers conceded

that most of the violations were

Confusion generally arises with non-standard spirits, such

as single malt whiskies, fine

brandies and the like, which are

not connected to Optic mea-

sures and therefore require the use of a thimble. Mr Peter

Mawdsley, principal investi-gations officer for Merseyside,

says bar staff are often not

properly trained in use of the thimble. "The thimble measure

should be filled to the top, and

if there is any spillage it should

fall into the glass. Customers

should insist on seeing their drink poured."

The most celebrated short-

measure case recently, in which

the Savoy Hotel in London

admitted selling a short mea-sure of malt whisky in its

American bar, also involved a

waiter described in court as "a

Drinkers who want to check a

measure should watch the

bartender filling the thimble. It

should be held absolutely level

over the glass and filled to the brim. Even Optics can be

fiddled by withdrawing the glass

lce in the glass makes it almost impossible to guess whether the measure is accu-

too quickly

young, inexperienced chap\*

probably inadvertent.

Council prosecuted 12 licensee

them were short-measured.

More than half of public

#### Herring quotas agreement rescues Europe's common fisheries policy The final agreement became fish in the future which "Blue Europe" is now complete. Fisheries ministers in possible because the conserva- eventually persuaded Holland tion measures imposed in 1976 Brussels have eventually sorted had been so successful. When the ban was lifted earlier this out a six-month wrangle over

North Sea herring quotas, which means that the common fisheries policy, signed last January, can at last be made fully operational.

Mr Michael Jopling, the British minister, emerged extremely happy from the meeting when it ended in the middle of Wednesday night. The agreement, he said, was "a triumph for British fishermen". They had been allocated more herring than he had ever hoped

next year Britain is to be allowed to catch 24.15 per cent of the 155,000 tonnes of herring which scientifie advice suggests would be the proper level to Mr Jopling pointed out that

over the 16 years up to 1976, when herring fishing had to be banned to save it from extinction in the North Sea, Britain had averaged only 16.7 per cent of total eatches.

**Christians** 

get Peking

protection

From Christopher Wren (New York Times)

Dr Robert Runcie, said here

the persecution they suffered

during the Cultural Revolution.

official political line is one of

broadening through the consti-

tution and the criminal code the

possibilities of free religious

It was too early, he said in reply to a question, to tell whether full religious freedom

existed. "Certainly I have seen

evidence that there are more

churches opened, more Bibles

available, and I can only

assome that is the result of less

political pressure against such

Children want

Marcos to quit

through the husiness district here, demanding the resignation

of President Marcos (Keith

Miss Kristina Aquino aged

12 the daughter of murdered

opposition leader Benigno Aquino, led the children. The

only Christmas present I want is

anniversary of Spain's partial

relaxation of the frontier restrictions for Gibraller,

for President Marcos to resign,

yesterday

Dalton writes).

practice". Runcie said.

"From this I take it that the

and Denmark to accept the herring quotas. According to the agreement, Denmark is given a year the allowable quota was set progressively larger and larger at just 84,300 tonnes. share of the available fish

Next year the figure is nearly twice as high, and it is hoped that, hy careful controls to prevent overfishing, it will be possible to increase the total to more than a quarter of a million tonnes before long.
It was the prospect of more

**HERRING CATCH PERCENTAGES** 

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Singapore

leaves few

**Stones** 

unturned

From David Watts Singapore
While the rest of the world

worries about unemployment

and nuclear missiles, Singapore is concerned about the Rolling

Stones and chewing-gum.
The Government has banned

the latest Stones album and is

thinking of doing the same to

chewing gum. Neither is likely to cause great cultural depri-vation - the album is already

seeping in on the black market

Goethe Institute are still

gasping at what the men from the ministry did to films brought in for a German film

A film of Gunter Grass's The

Tin Dram was so mangled by the time the Ministry of

Culture censors had finished

Though the films were to be

that it had to be thrown away.

shown to a restricted audien

they had to be censored ander

Singapore law. But what appalled Goethe Institute officials was that, instead of

officials was that, instead on consulting about cuts, the ministry went ahead and made them, running one of the few copies of the film.

'Some eighteen months ago

Singapore appeared to be easing restrictions on avant-garde foreign films and leaving

in risque scenes where cuts would ruin the integrity of a production. Clearly, there has

been a rethink, or ministry

bureaucrats are unaware of any

It was a customs man who first spotted the offending Stones album, Undercover,

with its picture of a naked

woman. Soon a letter was on its

way from the Controller of Undesirable Publications, poin-

ting out that the cover was

unsuitable for the Singapore market and saying distribution

would not be permitted.

The distributors, anticipating this, have tried to persuade

the Stones to use a less

controversial cover for the local

market, but to no avail.

No doubt chewing-gum will

be smuggled in too, despite a

more liberal attitude.

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anyway.

At the 250 200 tonne mark upper limit at which the fish can be sold for consumption – the Danish share would rise from its present 21.15 per cent level to 35 per cent. The extra Danish Denmark's fishmeal industry supplied.

Agreement on herring quotas is to last for 20 years, like the rest of the common fisheries policy. But falling stocks of cod and haddock, which make up 50 per cent of Britain's catch, mean that the industry could face a tough time next year.

The Commission wants to reduce the quotas for North Sea haddock by 18 per cent and the quotas for cod by 7 per cent next year. This would cost British fishermen something

# Mitterrand visit to

yesterday. The aim of the trip, apart from reinforcing trade, economical and political ties, is to demonstrate France's sup-port for Yugoslavia in its nonaligned role between east and

Mitterrand is companied by M. Claude Cheysson, the French Foreign

Yugoslavia is going through serious economic difficulties

joined other Western countries Yugoslavia has succeeded in

further financial backing



Pensive President: M Mitterrand, in a study by Konrad Muller, a West German photographer, in the garden of his house at Latche, south-west France.

# back Belgrade

enjoying greater safeguards in trying to huild a church, but he stopped short of suggesting they have achieved religious free-The Primate, who is about to end a two-week visit to China, told a press conference on Wednesday that his hosts had shown him recent legislation that protected Christians from and transport.

and the International Monetary Fund in providing a package of financial assistance which eased the burden of debt repayments. increasing its exports to coun-

tries with convertible currencies and in reducing drastically its balance of payments deficit. Next year it is counting on

The Yugoslav Government will also raise with President Mitterrand its wish to increase its exports to the European

President Mitterrand began a support. Last year France three-day visit to Yugoslavia west. M.

Minister, and three ministers in charge of foreign trade, finance

and is counting on financial

television ban on gum advertising, due in March.

"Personally I consider it rather obnoxious seeing very good-looking young boys and girls wandering around with their jaws moving like cows chewing their cud," Mr Sap-piah Dhanabalan, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and of Culture, said.
"From being a country that

has become associated with cutting the long hair of men, we'll become associated with the banning of chewing-gum, which isn't something I'm particularly concerned about". said the minister, who claimed that Singapore spends more than £20,000 a year cleaning up

the mess left by gum chewers.

Singapore has long since disproved the notion that it is a little dragon", an offshore representative office of Peking a precominantly Malaystock area. But if the political and

economic comparisons do not apply, some of the cultural ones do: just as Peking is cleansing the country of foreign cultural pollution, so Singapore is strengthening its defences against undesirable extraneous

Spain's 'right to education' Bill Church and state battle over private schools

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

came to a climax this week, as the Spanish Parliament debated the so-called "right to education" Bill introduced by the addressed a Socialist teachers' Minister of Education, Señor congress last weekend and Jose Maria Maravall

Doct naire socialism and militant Catholicism are struggling for influence, while many ordinary parents and taxpayers that only want the best edu-cation for their children that state funding can provide.

Oxford doctorate in sociology, under attack for choosing to send his own children to Madrid's fee-paying British Institute. Opponents of the Bill charge that he wants to deprive other parents of their right to chose a religious education for their children. They do oot stop short of

accusing the Socialist minister of attempting to abolish Spain's Catholic Church-run education altogether.
Spain is remarkable for

having more than one third of its primary and secondary education run privately. Mosi private schools are in the hands of the Catholic Church, but receive state subsidies of up to 100 per cent.

The Chureb built up this almost unique position during the Franco period. In Zaragozo. for example, there were only two state grammar schools and more than 50 private secondary schools at the time of the dietator's death in 1975. A majority of Spain's Cath-

olic bishops, believing they enjoy the firm support of the Pope, are anxious to maintain their sway over educating the young in a country where almost everyone is nominally a Catholic. Schor Maravall's Bill would

Democrats, which gave the and the curriculum.

A long running controversy Church generous funds for over state-financed education education with little super-

accused the entire private sector of being mouvaied only by the desire for economie gain.

Tomorrow the Catholic lay organizations are preparing their reply, urging millions o parents to demonstrate in the big cities and help to collect up The minister, who holds an to 10 million signatures for a petition against the Bill.

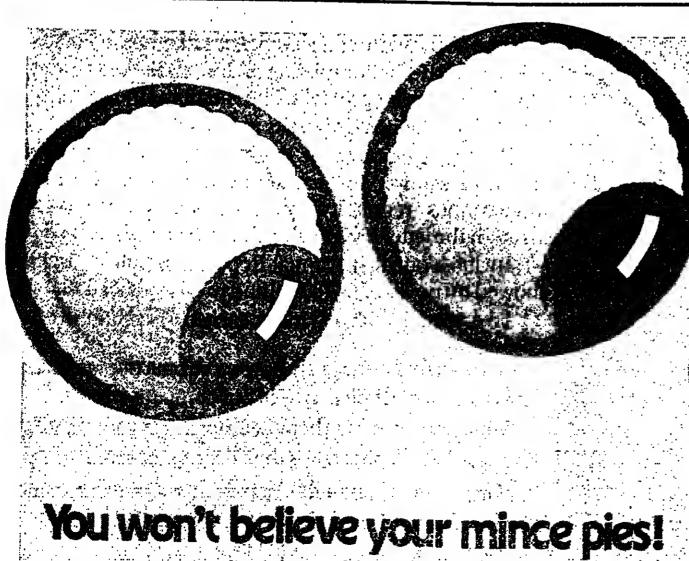
The right-wing Father Angel Sucries, chairman of the Feder-



Señor Maravall: Launched attack on church schools.

ation of Private Education Establishments, who is locked in a power struggle with the Education Minister, claimed yesterday that the state had a constitutional obligation to finance his organization's schools regardless of the parliamentary debate.

What most angers owners of the privately-run schools is that supervision by the state would be coupled with new school councils, on which parents and replace the education law of 1979, introduced by the Centre both on administrative matters



your Christmas pudding, your sausage rolls or your turkey stuffing either. That's because with its three speeds and 'pulse' button the Gourmet gives you the control you need to make everything perfectly. The Gourmet's the first British made processor and the only one that's been passed by B.E.A.B. and selected for the Design Centre of London. It has a big 1.4 pint capacity so you use more of the bowl without liquid slopping over. And it comes with all the standard attach-

Christmas gift for Rock

From Our Own Correspondent, Madrid

Coinciding with the first the Christmas period to make as

residents of the Rock from the visits have been limited to

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won't believe your eyes. (Or your mince pies!)



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# Lebanon's President in London

# Gemayel sounds warning about peace troops quitting too soon

By Heary Stanhope, Diplomatic Corresponden

multinational peace keeping Saudi Arabia. force (MNF) from Beirul would have "very grave consequentes" for the Middle East and for the world at large. President Gemayel of Lebanon said yesterday.

ft would undermine the warring factions (which was begun at Geneva last month), he told a press conference in visit, which ended yesterday.

President Gemayel hoped soon to announce the date and place for the next round of reconciliation talks, at which he

reference for a new "broadly-based government of national But he would not confirm reports that negotiations will resume in Montreux. Switzerland, next week. That would have to wait until after a

would like to lix the terms of

meeting in Damascus on Sunday between the foreign minis-**Journalists** 

under US

Marine fire

From Robert Fisk

Beirut

enough problems with the armed militias of Lebanon, an

American televisioo crew yes-terday foond itself under fire

from US marines after its

driver took a wrong turning ioto the marine compound at Beirot

The driver was grazed in the head hy a builet and the reporter. Mr Joe Corcoran.

from o National Broadcasting

Company affiliate io North Carolina, was burt by broken glass when the marine guards

It was a sign of just how oervous the Marines bave

hecome in Beirut - and just

bow dangerous the craft of

journalism is becoming in the

world's most dangerous city. The crew's car apparently

resembled a vehicle which the

Marines had been warned

might be carrying a bomb, and the driver, a Lebanese, failed to

stop when the Marines fired

warning shots into the ground

He made the cardinal error

of trying to reverse in panic, at

which the Marines shot to kill:

As Mr Robert Perry, the news director of WITN-TV put

it blantly, if a trifle ungene-

rously, afterwards: "We got a driver that apparently didn't

know where be was going and

almost got us killed. I think

they (the Marines) were jus-tified in doing what they did. They told him to halt and be

In fact, Marines had earlier

given the driver incorrect instructions on how to enter the

around the vehicle.

shot at their car.

As if journalists did not have

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Hasty withdrawal of the ters of Syria, Lebanon and But he was full of praise and awarded the Parliament's gold gratitude for those countries. The meeting would also including Britain, which had discuss the withdrawal of Mr supplied contingents for the Yassir Arafat and his Palestine MNF.

Liberation Organization troops from Trip oli, he said. "I know you would like some indication of how long it might At Geneva the parties had be before the British contingent been impressed by how much can return home. Indeed, if I "primising" process reconcilithey had in common. Now he knew that, there would be no ation among his country's waoted them all to work for the need for their presence in withdrawal of foreign "illegal" Lebanon. forces from his country - by "It will be the responsibility

he told a press conference in London. He was on an official Israel, Iran, Libya and the PLO, government to arrange with the Israel, Iran, Libya and the PLO.

But Lebanon's relations with
Syria were "excellent". He
hoped to visit Damaseus as
soon as President Assad's health
had iniproved. "I wish him a
prompt recovery." Mr Gemayet
said. Though he would not
comment on the nature of the

STRASBOURG: It was

vitally important to involve the ing about the "superficial Soviet Union in the search for understanding" behind a numpeace in the Middle East, King Husant of Jordan told the European Parliament yesterday superpower polarization to tlan Murray writes). loom
The king, in Strasbourg to be area, questioned whether Lehanon

medal, called on Europe to highlight the need for a dialogue between the two superpowers to prevent the danger of new polarizations and a disastrous new eruption of violence in the Middle East. The king was bighly critical of

the American position. He said Israel seemed to be encouraged to in its expansionist quest by American reluctance to remain true to the fundamental principle of international law that territory could not legally be taken by

The "so-called strategic and cooperation alliance" between the United States and Israel he triends who have come to our regarded as being contrary to aid, return home safe and intouched."

STRASBOURG: It was allowed Israel to pursue its own

expansiuoist policies.

"They have all but totally destroyed United States credibility and allowed the spectre of loom menacingly over the

# Shamir calms angry settlers

zhak Shamir, making his first tour of the occupied West Bank as Prime Minister.

President Gemayel was scath-

ber of critical articles in the

British press, one of which had

including deportation and stiff measures associated with Mr minimum jail seniences, were Ariel Sharon, the former Devesterday rejected by Mr Yil- Ience Minister.

Speaking at Bracha, a controversial new outpost overlooking the Palestinian town of Nablus, His remarks were seen as Mr Shamir surprised his ultraheralding a new era in which nationalist audience by saying Israel will pursue the expansio- that stone-throwing was only a nist settlement policy inaugur-ated under Mr Menachem that those who attacled Jews



Knife protest: A Druze fighter reacts augrily to the Israeli evacuation of Christian militiamen from Deir el-Qamar.

Angry eails from Jewish Begin, but without the shrill were a small section of the settlers for harsher policies rhetoric, provocative stateagainst Arab stone-throwers, ments and excessive security population.

After listening to complaints from Jewish West Bank leaders - including a twice-repeated claim that the Jews were "dogs in Arab eyes" because of the lack of physical response to recent attacks - Mr Shamir delivered a considered reply which included a call for self-

**Doubts** over

future of

Vienna talks

By Our Diplomatic

Doubts over the future of the

long-running East-West talks in Vienna on Mutual Balanced Force Reductioos (MBFR) persisted last night, after delagates broke up for Christmas

without fixing a date for their

The Western side had pro-

posed a return to the negotiat-

ing table on January 26, but the

Warsaw Pact couotries for ooce

Mr Willem de Vos van Steeowijk of Holland, who

acted as Nato spokesman, said

the Western powers regretted

The confusioo was oot

unexpected, coming after exten-

sive leaking in the West, where diplomats have tried to play down the significance of the

Soviet officials have them-

But Herr Andre Wieland, the

East German Ambassador to

the talks, said pointedly that the

West's rejection of "all practical solutions" had raised the question of whether the nego-

tiations could cootinue at all in

their present form.

MBFR talks opened exactly
10 years ago with the objective

roediate-range Nuclear Forces

(INF) last mooth, then refused

to agree to a date for the resumption of the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (Start).

OGENEVA: Neutral and non-

aligned countries are deter-

mined to prevent the Stock-

holm conference on confidence

building measures in Europe,

opening on January 17, from

becoming another arena for

coofrontation between the

superpowers, the Yugoslav delegate, Professor Acimovic, said yesterday (Alan McGregor

He was speaking after two days of talks which, he added, showed much common ground

Sweden, Switzerland, Austria, Finland, Yugoslavia, Malta,

Cyprus, Liechtenstein and San

OPARIS: A person "of very

high rank in the Russian bierarchy" will make an official visit to Paris at the beginning of

January, it was announced here

yesterday (Diana Geddes writes). Observers believe that

Euromissile crisis

representatives of

writes

resumptioo.

the outcome.

Soviet-led action.

had ool responded.

"We belong to the same school of thought", he told the settlers. "But we absolutely must not get involved in settlers' violence. Those people who have been strong in what they have built must also be strong in self-control."

#### **EEC-Arab** meeting ends in fiasco

Athens - An attempt to revive the dialogue between Arabs and West Europeans after a hiatus lasting five years, ended here in total fiasco when the delegates failed to agree on a joint communique (Mario Modiano writes).

In answer to one question, Mr Shamir acknowledged that Israel was facing difficulties, but stressed that scalement re-mained the Government's top priority and should not be ffected by spending cuts.

Ironically, Mr Shamir's selves been at pains to industry that a date for resumption is pledge came on the day Israel likely to be fixed later through for \$2,600m (£1,800m) for US diplomatic channels, aid for the fiscal year 1985.

But Herr Andre W Announced simultaneously

in Jerusalem and Washington, it was divided into \$1,400m in military aid and \$1,200m in civilian assistance. It was accompanied by a declaration that Israel hopes to lower its standard of living by 10 per

#### of ocgotiating a reduction in the number of troops on either side in Central Europe. But they have been deadlocked for most Washington of the time, moost recently over Warsaw Pact insistence that it mission has 150,000 fewer forces than by Trudeau Nato coolends. The Soviet Uoion walked out of the Geneva talks on Inter-

From Mohsin Ali Washington

Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Canadiao Prime Minister, after touring the world in the past two months with his nuclear disarmament proposals, yesterday brought his peace joilistive to President Reagan here.

Mr Trudeau bopes that bis campaign will eventually produce a meeting of five ouclear weapons powers - the US, the Soviet Unioo, Britain, France and China - aimed at reducting nuclear tension, and bringing about nuclear non-protiferation and better crisis management. Reagan Administration officials have been lukewarm to such a five-power meeting at this stage.

Mr Trudeau has discussed his proposals in several West European capitals, as well as io Tokyo. Peking and at the recent Commonwealth summit to Delhi. He hopes to visit Moscow for similar coosultations at a date yet to be fixed.

His proposals include a ban on "star wars", anti-satellite systems and clamping a lid on the main purpose of such a visit the current angry East-West would be to discuss the

# **Prosecutor seeks** 7 years for nanny

DESPITE HIS AGE

**RUN.... AND RUN!** 

THIS ONE WILL

Livorno (Reuter) - The prosecution in the trial of Carol Compton, the Scottisb manny, called yesterday for a sevenyear prison sentence for arson

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and attempted murder. In his two-hour summing-up speech, the prosecutor, Signor Arturo Cindola, told the beach of two professional and six lay judges that they should not convict the 21-year-old girl of arson alone.

Miss Compton is standing trial for crimes the prosecution says she committed while working for two Italian families in 1982. She denies the charges, which claim that one of the five fires she is alleged to have lit was meant to kill a

three-year-old child in her care. Speaking oo the fourth day of the trial, Signer Cindolo said he could offer little explanation for the crimes, although he repeated suggestions that Miss Compton might have lit the

fires so that she could return to ber boyfriend in Rome. Earlier in the day the court beard evidence from

Signor Cindolo bitterly criticized the way much of the case had been conducted. Referring to allegations of bizarre events in the houses where Miss Compton worked, he said: "We have talked more fully about falling vases than about the baby she is accused of murder-

He also attacked the British press who, he said, had talked of witches and then said "we were to try her for witchcraft. We are bere to judge calmly logically . . . something which is logical for as must be so for the whole world,"

Going through what he said were inconsistencies and con-tradictions in Miss Compton's story, he said she was the only person who could have started the fires.

But he added: "I can't bring yon witnesses, there aren't any. Nobody can say I saw Compton start the fire."

The two psychiatric wit-nesses rejected suggestions in psychiatrists who said they court that Miss Compton might found Miss Compton to be have faked poltergeist activity fundamentally same, although to disguise pyromania,

# Three judges indicted

Chicago (AP) - Three present Devine, a Chicago policeman, and former Cook County circuit four attorneys, a deputy court judges and seven other men elerk and a private individual. have been indicted here after a three-year undercover investi-gation of corruption in ranging from \$30 (£21) to America's largest court system.

Those indicted were judges as traffic tickets, to drug cases Wayne Olson and Joho Murand such matters as divorces phy, and former Judge John and trust funds.

The indictments alleged ranging from \$30 (£21) to \$30,000. The cases ranged from relatively minor offences, such

# S African ministry

Johannesburg (AFP, AP) -At least seven people were hurt when two bombs exploded yesterday in two buildings in central Johannesburg, the South African news agency Sapa

**Bomb hits** 

One of the devices apparently went off in an office of the went off in an office of the Foreign Ministry, on the fourth floor of a building opposite Johannesburg City Hall. Police cordoned off glass-littered streets around the 11-storey building and an office block next door which was also

# Poll boycott

Kingston, (AP) ~ Jamaicans yesterday went through the motions of a national election, but with only six contituencies being contested out of 60, the ruling party of Mr Edward Sease is assured of remaining in Scaga is assured of remaining in power. The main opposition party boycotted the poll.

#### Fatal defoliant

Belém, Brazil (AFP). - Forty-two people have died from a defoliant use by a private electrification firm, Senhor Joad Batista Bastos, Agriculture Mioister of state of Pará, said here. The defoliant was use to cut a swathe through the Amazonian jungle to build a 500-mile power line.

# Tutu praised

Durban (AP) - A mercy plea by Bisbop Desmond Tutu saved the lives of four white mercenaries sentenced to be hanged for a bungled coup attempt in the Seychelles, Martin Dolincbek, a mercenary freed from a long jail sentence, said here. He praised the bishop as a "committed Christian".

# Star's son fined

Paris (AP) - Paul Belmondo, aged 20, the car-racing son of Jean-Paul Belmondo, the film actor, was given a coe-month suspended prison sentence and fined about £400 for assaulting a photographer who attempted to take his picture with Princess

# Bomber appeals

Rangoon (AP) - Captain Kang Min Chul, of North Korea, seotenced to death last week for his role in the bombing which killed 21 persoos, includ-ing four South Korean Cabinet members here in October, is to appeal. Major Zin Mo. also sentenced to death, did not appeal.

# Player cleared

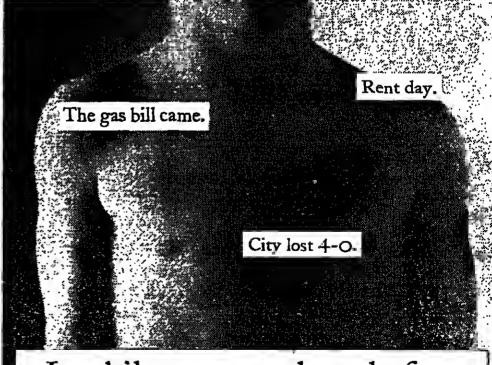
Stockholm (AP) - Uyaches-lav Bykov, a Soviet ice-hockey player accused of shoplifting in department store, aquitted by a court bere.

# Climber killed

Katmandu (AP) - A 37-yearold technician from Warsaw was killed instantly after falling 230ft during an assault on Mont Manaslu in northwest Nepal.

# Costly review

Düsseldorf (AP) - A West German court has ordered a food critic to pay damages to a restaurant owner who was forced to close after a review that compared one of his entrees to "shoe leather and coal." The amount will be dec ided later.



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A debate began in the French
Parliament last night on the total national newspaper sales; owning both a national daily right-wing Hersant press em- provincial daily sales. .

Minister to walk out, followed by the Socialist and Coromunist MPs.

The Bill seeks to prohibit any one man or group from: owning more than three national papers whose combined circulation per cent of the total, and 14 Parliament.

paper and a provincial daily paper; and owning provincial dailies (of uolimited number) whose combined circulation exceeds 15 per cent of total

In addition, it stipulates that the name of the person who owns or controls a newspaper ownership, the name of the editor and the size of the paper's circulation.

M Robert Hersant, owner of posed law in two ways. He owns combined sales amount to 40

must not exceed 15 per cent of provincial dailies, whose sales are within the proposed limit, as well as some IB other publications.

He would therefore either have to sell all his national titles and keep his provincial papers, or sell all his provincial papers and in addition one or two of his national papers so as to bring his national circulation within the 15 per cent limit. There is no circulation limit for a single paper.

M Hersant, who is used to fighting battles, claims and indeed acts as if he is not worried.

One source of comfort to M Hersant is bis conviction that the leading right-wing daily. Le the provisions of the Bill will Figaro, falls foul of the pro-1986, by which time he believes three oational papers whose that France will have voted a right-wing majority back into

# Walesa to lay wreath

government protest.

From Rasit Gurdilek

Ankara

impressive in Turkey's history,

including II engineers, three

financial experts, two doctors

of medicine, a jurist and an

economist. Most bave degrees

this comparatively young team contrasts sharply with the state

of the universities, reduced to a

shambles by controversial "re-

form" and ensuing purges by

in an attempt to end what

was seen as intellectual support

for the political terrorism

which racked the country in the

pre-coup years, the universities

control through the creation,

brought under state

the former military regime.

However, the background of

from Western universities.

Warsaw and other cities to

Solidarity hopes, page 14 | rhetoric.

two years ago, of o higher education board. The newly installed government of Mr Turgot Ozal is, educationally, one of the most Of its 25 members, eight

were appointed by the presi-deot, one by the chief of the general staff, six by the Council of Ministers and two by the Ministry of Education, leaving only eight members for the universities to elect themselves. Mandated to impose stern

discipline on the then-autonomous higher education insti-tutions and substitute a "national" culture for "harmfol foreign ideologies", the board started a series of purges which put an abrupt end to the careers of many liberal academics and. those suspected of being

Marxists. Many others resigned in protest at this attack on academic freedom, or quit to the consequences of proid

martial law authorities which entailed disqualification for life from any further government A dismissed assistant

professor from the faculty of political sciences at Ankara institutions, until receotly trained bureaucrats for governthat the teaching staff of 162 was almost halved in two years after the establishment of the board, despite an approximate 40 per cent increase in the

number of students. the president of the board, remains confident that the will prove to be of benefit to the universities in the long run and refuses to admit any serious after-effects of the purges. He says that those dismissed constitute an insignificant number of the total teaching staff. But he was forced to attempt, with poor results so far, to recruit academics from abroad, particularly Britain. Academic cirles remain

pessimistic about the prospects of a liberalization of the measures in the near future. even by the government of Mr Ozal, whose election manifesto had backed multi-party democ racy, along with moderation

the new regulations enjoyed constitutional sanctity.

# hearily guarded base Clashes on French press Bill

versial Bill on press monopolies. This is aimed officially at limiting to size of press conglomerates and ucofficially at breaking the back of the

The previous night an Opposition censure motion occusing the Government of ottacking the fundamental right of freedom of information was overunderlinely defeated by 247

The previous night an Opposition of the previous night an Opposition of the Opposition of th The previous night an Oppowhelmingly defeated by 247 voics to 158, but only after heated exchanges which at one stage prompted the Prime

# **Atom tests** damage not proved From Tony Duboodio

Studies on Australians who took part io British atomic tests on Monte Bello Island and at Maralinga in the 1950s and 1960s have coocluded that there is no evidence to suggest the tests had adverse effects The studies, tabled in the Senate yesterday, were carried out by the Federal Department

of Health and looked at the

health of more than 9,000

Dr Neal Blewett, the Minister for Health, said he had long recognized the concern of many former participants in the tests about the possible long-term effects of exposure to radiation. However, these latest studies confirmed that it was not possible to demonstrate that exposure to radiation had had

In February, Mr Doug Rickard, a member of the health physics team at Maralinga from 1957 to 1959, suggested that radiation readings takeo from people involved in the British tests had been faked.

significant adverse effects.

Gdansk. (Reuter) - Mr Lech Underground Solidarity Walesa, leader of Poland's spokesmen have urged Poles to banned Solidarity trade union, demonstrate peacefully in

said yesterday that he would lay flowers today at a mooument to shipyard workers killed by police, as union supponers prepared for a day of anti-

mark the thirteenth anniversary of the killings during food riots in Gdansk in 1970.

Educated men rule, but academic chaos reigns

miversity one of the most elite regarded as an "incubator" for ment service, told The Times

Professor Ihsan Dogramici, "reform" he has masterminded

Indeed, in an interview earlier this month, the victor of the poll was quoted as being careful not to commit himself to a revision of the higher education policies, noting that

# Alfonsin begins military purge by naming four new chiefs of staff

From Douglas Tweedale, Buenes Aires

na's military structure.

The Defence Minister Seor Borras, announced the appointments on Wednesday night, jost 24 hours after President Alfonsin ordered the trial of nine President Alfonson's choices former military junta members imply a virtual purge of the on charges of murder, torture, existing military leadership, as and illegal deprivation of human rights abuses.

General Julio Fernández Torres a career infantry officer who once disobeyed orders from former President Galtieri during the Falklands war, is to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs

This is Argentin'a top-ranking military post, president Aflonsin eliminated the rank of services on the groud that the constitution empowers the

President Siles: Plagued

by political infighting.

**Cabinet** 

quits in

Bolivia

La Paz (Reuter) - The

Bolivian Cabinet has resigned,

after a 48-hour general strike

paralysed the economy.

The Foreign Minister, Señor

José Ortiz Mercado, told a press

conference that the move was

intended to allow the formation

of a government of national

unity and establish a political

In their letter of resignation

to President Hernán Siles Zuazo

on Wednesday night, the 18

ministers accused the oppo-

sition-dominated Senate of

planning a "constitutional coup" against the left-wing

They resigned after a stormy

debate in the upper house,

where centrist and right-wing senators called on the Govern-

ment to justify severe austerity:

measures adopted last month.

including a 60 per cent devalu-

ation, which led to a 24-hour

general strike on November 21

and this week's 48-hour stop-

The opposition accused the

Government of violating the constitution and encroaching

President Siles's adminis-

tration, plagued by iofighting

and social unrest since coming

on the prerogatives of Parlia

and economic truce.

Government,

President Raul Alfonsin has President to be commander-in- Argentina's armed forces greatly named four new chiefs of staff chief of all military forces.
of the armed forces, in the first General Jorge Arguindeguy, step towards what he promised an officer with a reputation of would be a "substantial and being oon-political, was named

profound" reform of Argenti- Chief of Staff of the Army Rear-Admiral Ramón Arosa was designated Chief of Staff of the Navey, and Brigadier Teodoro Waldner will occupy the same post in the Air Force.

the promotion of younger officers will automatically force 29 generals into retirement from the Army 17 admirals from the Navy and two brigadiers from the Air Force.

The new Government has pledged to rid the armed forces of nfficers with political ambitions and to place the military under firm civilian control which may turn out to be the most difficult tasl facing Seor

Besides their long history of invention in Government.

increased their economic and political power during the last seven years of military rule. The armed forces are also widely believed to have become cor-rupt and to be responsible for numerous atrocities during their campaign against left-wing lerrorism in the mid-1970's.

Presindent Alfonsin has promised that those officers responsible for human rights violations will be brought to justice, and that he will "strong effective armed forces that will play their proper role within the constitution."

General Fernández Torres, the centerpiece of the Govern-ment's military reforms, reportedly refused to obey an order from General Galtieri to launch n parachute attack on Goose Green during last years war on the ground that it would inflict unacceptably high casualties on



Lima, Peru, after being taken hostage, with three other nuns, by 18 escaped convicts. She was a social worker with slumdwellers, pictured with her. Four convicts also died in the gun battle with police.

Man against the state

# Ex-MP fights to keep his land

Government established this

new procedure in an attempt to

take over his estate without

paying adequate compensation

required by the constitution. He

said he would fight his case in

Greek officials claimed that in earlier negotiations Mr Noel-Baker had revoked an

offer to give the 10,700 acres of

fir and pine forest to the state, if it let him keep his house, 50

acers of farm land, and

exempted him from all arrears

of taxes and bille. The Government had responded favourably. Mr Noel-Bakes denies

making such an office. He said his tax 'likhildes haved at £43,000. "Tids? to said these.

commission 122 similar cases of contested titles of private

exempted him."

Undeterred by the threat that Greece might seize "Ach-metaga", his 11,000-acre wooded estate on the island of Euboca, Mr Francis Noel-Baker, the former Labour MP for Swindon, is plausing to develop it into a holiday resort. Last weekend, he ac-companied Mr John Blay, of Clydebank International, the

British developers, for a survey of the area. "In the first phase", Mr Noel-Baker said, "we plan to build 50 holiday villas on non-forest land." Mr Blay said the intention was to start developing early in the

By then, of course, the Greek Government will have made up its mind whether it will declare invalid the Noel-Baker titles to this land which are said to date back to 1832.

"Achmetaga" was named after the Turkish landowner who sold it for 10,000 gold sovereigns to Edward Noel, the present owner's great-grandfather, when Greece regained

A ruling of the Supreme Forestry Commission last month challenged the validity of the Noel-Baker title on the ground that the Turkish title-deed surrendered usufract, not

Mr Mosches Gikenogleo the Greek Under-Secretary of Agriculture, who must accept or reject the commission's

The sum is barely one twentieth of the taxable value forests. We could hardly have the Greek Authorities. Mr Noel-Baker believes the

"I am quite prepared to give them one-twentieth of the forest for that sum, provided they give it to the village," he told The Times.

The action against Mr Noel-Baker was the calmination of an eight-year campaign against him on the ground that he supported the military junta which ruled Greece between 1967 and 1974. Trouble began in 1975 when a local "streggle committee" was set up in Prokopi, the village of "Achmetaga". It organized demonstrations, calling for the expul-sion of the Noel-Bakers and the seizure of the estate.

In one incident, the crowds went on a rampage, burning estate buildings and desecrat ing family graves. Nr Noel-Baker dismissed the troubles as communist-inspired and denied be had collaborated with the junta on any but humanitarian grounds.

The then Conservative government, bending to popular pressure, challenged his land title and prohibited the exploitation of the forest or the farm, or their sale

Mr Noel-Baker has appealed to the Greek courts against this ban, which, he maintains, is in violation of Community law against dis-crimination of nationals of other EEC countries.

Knife attack

on Tanaka's

bitter rival

Politic said the man, with a

mountaineer's knife tried to stab Mr Nosaka as he cam-

paigned for Sunday's election in a market place. The attacker

was overwhelmed by Mr Nosa-ka's aides and handed over to

The author, who is 58, is

standing as an independent against Mr Tanaka. Commen-tators have described him as a

political kamikaze pilot.
Police said the assailant

admitted to interrogators that

he wanted to wound Mr

# Go-ahead

A national census, planned for last April but cancelled after objections had been lodged with the Constitutional Court, can go ahead, the court decided yester day. But important changes had first to be made to stop any misuse of the information

The court ruling was wel-Interior, which has given a warning of serious strains on social services, education and medical care because of the

Objections had centred on fears that the computer-pro-cessed answers could be used by the police, landlords and credit companies, and that confidential data would not be destroyed after use.

The Social Democrats, who VCOIL to DM10,000 (£2,500) for anyone refusing to fill in the forms - are unlikely to be

Nagaoka, Japan (Reuter) - A man brandishing a knife yester-day tried to stab Akiyuka Pesaka, the novelist campaign-

# for census in Germany

collected.

comed by the Government, which had fought hard to hold the controversial census, insist-ing it was essential if proper provision was to be made for West Germany's falling population. The Ministry of the changing demographic profile, has said its estimates of the population could be out by up to a million.

called for a postponement of the census in the spring, said the judgment was an important step in strenthening privacy. The Greens, however, who led the which the Government threatened to punish with fines of up

enumerators.

No enumerators would have been allowed to enter anyone's home, or disclose the answers they were given. But in Bavaria at least they would have been given a reward of DM2.50 for each German and DM5 for each foreigner they reported to the police whom they suspected to

The court said the Govern ment was fully entitled to bold a census, the first since 1970, but could not pass on the information to other authorities.

The questions the census will pose include those on religious ment, housing and education.
The Ministry of the loterior reckoned that the abortive April census would have cost DM371m, and needed 500,000

be either an unregistered citizen or illegal immigrant.



Meese's

remarks

hard to

swallow

From Nicholas Ashford Washington

someone who likes to eat well, which perhaps partly explains why a remark he made about

hunger in Americahas creat

In a recent interview, Ma Meese said he had never seen

authoritative figures that there

were any hungry children in the US. He also said he had

people go to soup kitchens because the food is free" and

"that's easier than paying for

duced a storm ist a soup bowl.

Democratic Congressmen and welfare organizations have excoriated him for his lack of

sensitivity to the needs of the

sharply as a result of Reagan

Agreement and the Congresional budget office, food star

spending will be down by \$7,000m (£4,700m) between fiscal 1982 and fiscal 1985 as a

result of Reagan cuts, while spending for child nutrition

programmes will be down by \$5,300m.

Mr Thomas O'Neill, the House Speaker and an out-spoken critic, pointedly noted that the Administration was still refusing to release \$44m

mgry, arguing that their unbers have increased

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such a political storm.

Mr Edwin Meese, the White House Comselior, has the

Mr Meese: A storm in a soup bowl. which Congress has approved

surplus foodstuffs to the needy. Like Mr Meese, Mr O'Neill's own bulky physique suggests that he is not exactly on the breadline. But having grown up in one of the poorest cities in America - Boston - he knows what it is like to be

hnogry. President Reagan has leapt to Mr Meese's (and his Administration's) defence, charging that his connecllor's remarks were taken ont of context and expressing his determination to climinate hunger in America.

"If there is one person hungry in this country, that is one too many," be said, adding that his Administration was doing more to alleviate hunger than any previous one. The President' defence of Mr Meese was not only a show of loyalty to a trusted aide but was also intended to prevent Democrats from making too much political mileaga from his

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hunger remarks.

New opinion polls show that
majority of Americans believes the Administration's cutbacks in social programmes have created hardship for many

Democratic contenders have already made it clear the "fairness issue" will be one of their main lines of attack on the President's record. Remarks like Mr Meese's merely help create an impression that Republicans believe soup is the first course of a five-course meal, rather than sustemance for many thousands of hungry

# Killer goes to electric chair after nine years

From Trevor Fishlock, New York

years and the eleventh in the United States since capital punishment was restored seven

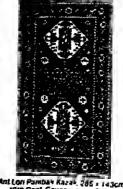
Mr. Smith, aged 53, was executed hnurs after the Supreme Churt in Washington voted by six to three to reject a final appeal. He had been convicted nine were ago of eonvicted nine years ago of killing his wife's former hus-band and the husband's new wife in an attempt to collect insurance money.

A fellow-inmate of Georgia's condemned cells, Alpha Ste-phens, was spared from the

John Eldon Smith, whose electric chair nine hours before wife persuaded him to kill a his scheduled execution this married couple, was put to death in the electric chair in voted by five to four to grant a Georgia vesterday. It was stay. His lawyer, successfully Georgia's first execution in 19 raised the issue of racial raised the issue of racial discrimination in respect of the

The question of race plays a considerable part in the long running controversy over capital punishment in America. It has been shown that a murderer is more likely to be sentenced to death if the victim is white rather than black. Mr Stephens is black, and had been con-victed of killing a white man.

Abolitionists say that the carrying out of the death penalty is to some extent a lottery.



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# King has last laugh in Malaysia crisis

From M. G. G. Pillai, Knala Lamp r

four-and-half-. There are indications that the Malaysia's month constitutional deadlock original ameridments were ill has ended as inbruptly as it conceived and followed a fear began. But the acting King, in by Dr Mahathir that the next signing the controversial amendments into law, yesterday and the last laugh.

King - probably the Sultan of Perak of Johore - would be as independent in Kuala Lumpur Besides getting a written undertaking from Datuk Seri Dr Malaysia's King is elected every Mahathir Mohamed, the Prime five years from among the nine Minister, for a special parlia- hereditary rulers. mentary session next month to Dr Mahathir, as part of the incorporate the ruler's objeccompromise, would ensure that tions ioto the constitution, he the parliamentary session next placed him on the defensive. month would restore the rulers' powers in the state, and give the

The constitutional amendments, passed last August, had 23 provisions, which apart from the contentious provisions the If the King diagreed with a Bill, he could send it back to rulers objected to, also included the new parliamentary and state boundaries. If these changes were not

gazetted into law by Thursday the boundaries could not be altered for another eight years. Considerable political problems would then have been brought to bear upon the Prime Minister from his own supporters.

The rulers objected to the provisions that transferred the authority to impose an emergency from the King to the Prime Minister, the extension of some of these provisions to the states, and the automatic assent into law of any Bill that the King did not sign within 15 days of it being presented to him.

The special parliamentary session, would be beld before Jaouary 11, wheo Datuk Seri Mahathir goes to the United States on an official visit.

it would become law within 30 Ironically, this could prove to be a delaying action that the Government may not like. Some sources speculated vesterday that the King could use this power to delay emergency Bills that the Government sometimes gets through Parliament

back to the king.

But these provisions are hypothetical at best. No King refused to sign any Bill in the 26 years since indepen-

power to impose the emergency

Parliament for further debate. I

Parliament passed it again, this time with a two-thirds majority.

The bigger political problem for Dr Mahathir is that in the

ruonp to the crisis he had recommendation, said: "We managed to split his United have nothing against Mr Noel, Baker. Acc Malays National Organization. Baker. We referred to the supporting the just

Spy-purged CIA unable to fight world terror

# Nesaka, the novelist campaigning against Mr Kakeui Tanaka, the filipmer Prime Minister, in the apperal election, police said. Mr. Alisaka, dubbed Japan's Don Quixote because he is running full tilt at corruption in high alices and trying to topple the country's most powerful politician, was unhurt. Salvador troops to join next US manoeuvres

The United States will hold a third round of troop manocuvres in Central America next summer, according to military sources in Honduras.

The next exercises will involve fewer troops and there will be no "symbolic extravaganza" like last month's ambilities for the symbolic extravaganza" like last month's ambilities for the symbolic extravaganza" like last month's ambilities for the symbolic extravaganza in the sy phihious landings which were the centrepiece of the Big Pine 2 manneuvres, the sources said. Big Pine 3 will be characte

have gone by March.

rized by its regional flavour.
Troops from El Salvador and
possibly Guatemala, will take
part. Most of the 3,000 American soldiers in Honduras will

next four to five years. Offended Pertini gives

#### Elsewhere in Japan, cam-paigning was non-violent but noisy. A further selection of opinion polls showed Mr Meanwhile, Honduras is pressing for loans in spend another \$400m (£270m) no military equipment over the Yashuhiro Nakasone's Western, conservative Govern-ment was likely to preserve o stable majority in the 511-seat House of Representatives.

back gift to Lévesque

The diplomatic contremps originated when Mr Lévesque emerged from a private dis-cussion with Signor Pertini in Rome last Friday, to tell reporters that the President did not have a "very high opinion" of Canada's federal Govern-

He also said that Signor Pertini would make a point of by-passing the federal capital. Ottawa, if he visited Quebec next year, in connexion with the French-speaking province's 450th anniversary celebrations. After Mr Levesque's remarks had appeared in print, the

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Incensed by some public liation Embassy in Ottawa comments made by Mr René issued a lerse statement, saying Lèvesque, the Premier of that the premier's comments "do not correspond to the Pertini of Italy has returned a gift Mr Lèvesque recently gave Pertini and must therefore be considered distortion."

Yesterday, the External Affairs Department, confirmed that Mr Ghislan Hardy, the Canadian Ambassador in Rome canadian Ambassador in Kome had been asked by Signor Pertini to return an honorary document Mr Levesque had given him, providing free admission to all of all of Quebec's 450th anniversary special events.

The President accused Mr Lévesque of "falsely, and perversely interpreting" remarks made by him in the course of their private conver-

# From Our Own Correspondent Washington The US needs to recruit more spies to help to combat the upsurge of terrorism in the Middle East and elsewhere in the world, according to Admiral James Watkins, the Chief of Naval Operations. Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Chief of Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Chief of Dealer of the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Chief of Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Chief of Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Chief of Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism, the Calling for a national strategy for dealing with terrorism and the calculation of the function of our titelligence services after the the litelligence services after the potential strategy to the constitution of the lumin aspects of our victions and the litelligence services after the li to power more than a year ago, had earlier offered to reopen talks with Bolivia's main trade One tutorial with him could change your life.

Soon a member of the Royal Navy's University Liaison Team will be visiting your university or polytechnic. Not to give a speech or peptalk, but

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# Guardian ordered to return official document

Lord Rawlinson argued that the plaintiffs were seeking to obtain the document in order to identify the source of the leak, and that if they obtained it and were enabled to

trace the leak, the defendants by handing over the document would

have disclosed the source of the document. But - the argument proceeded - the section enjoined the

court against making an order for such disclusure unless one or other

of the conditions specified in the section was satisfied, and that none was here satisfied, so that no order

should be made.
But in his Lordsbip's judgment

the construction contended for was incorrect. The section enjoined the

court from requiring a person to disclose the source of information; it

was not directed and could not be applied to oust proprietary remedies to which an owner of property might under the law be entitled.

Lord Rawlioson's construction rewrote the opening sentence thus "No court may require any person to do anything which may lead to the disclosure of sources of information." His Lordship could see no good reason why be should so read the section.

It was not so phrased. Its provenance was, plainly enough, the litigation commenced by British Steel Corporation against Granada

Television Ltd with a view to ascertaining who had leaked certain confidential information to the

defendants in that case. The documents had been mutilated so that the identity of the informant.

could not be ascertained from the

What was sought was that individuals should disclose by affidavit the source of the docu-

ments. No proprietary rights in the

documents were in question. It was of interest to onte that Lord

Wilberforce assumed that British' Steel ought to recover the documents; see Bruish Steel Corporation r Granada Television Ltd [[1981]

That background to the 1981 Act

provided no support for the view that Parliament intended by section 10 to interfere with the proprietary

Accordingly, in his Lordship's judgment, section 10 had no application to the present case and it

followed that the defendants had no

or national security or for the prevention of disorder or crime. That provision was directed to the

Lord Rawlinson had argued that the contents of the document, relating as it did to the tactics

parliamentary and political that the

parliamentary and political that the Government should adopt in regard to the arrival in England of cruise missiles, was such that publication of it could not be said to have affected adversely national security. Mr Brown had accepted that point.

Mr Brown's national security point was otherwise based. He said, first, that there was someone in bight places in government service who had leaked the document and that

whether in this instance harm was

done, it was a matter of national security that he be exposed so that his potential harm in the future was Second. it was said that leakage o

documents regarding nuclear miss-iles undermined confidence in the sufficiency of the security arrange-ments of her Majesty's Govern-ment, and that other friendly

governments might on that account be reluctant to share with us their

secrets. Lord Rawlinson rejected both those points.

There was no need to go into his arguments in detail. Had section 10

arguments in detail. Has section applied it would not, in his Lordship's judgment, have been right to have concluded that the defendants had no arguable defence.

As to Mr Brown's first point there

As to Mr Brown's first point there; was no real evidence of the class of persons who had access to those documents, nor was it a necessary inference that because some individual was prepared, in breach of duty and reprebensibly, to leak a document of that character, national security required that he be-

security required that he be identified and got rid of.

Second the reaction of other Governments to a leak of that sort ought to be a matter of evidence, tested by cross-examination. His Lordship did not regard it as self-evident that they might react in the manner described.

This was not a case where unless an order were made at an interlocutory stage grave incon-

venience or injustice would result.
Accordingly had it come to that his

Lordship would have left the plaintiffs to make out their case on

The plaintiffs had subsidiary points on interests of justice and

prevention of disorder or crime, but his Lordship did not find anything in the untested evidence which satisfied him that those require-

ments were made out to a standard

of certainty that would justify a summary order at this stage.

The Crown was entitled to the order sought, but his Lordship granted a stay until Friday evening.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor, Lovell White & King.

Correction The title of R v Clerkenwell Green

national security at trial.

markings.

AC 1096, 1166).

have back his document.

defence to the claim.

Secretary of State for Defence would ordinarily be right to make, papers Ltd scott Properties an order for delivery a market an order for delivery a mileriocutory stage. Manchester Corporation v Connoilly ([1970] Ch. 11 | 120, 426).

[Judgment delivered December 15]
His Lordship ordered the return to the plaintills, the Secretary of State for Defence and the Attorney General, of a photostatic copy of a General, of a photostatic copy of a document supplied to the defendents, Guardian Newspapers Lid. by some person or persons unknown. The document was a copy of a memorandum prepared by Mr Heseltine. Secretary of State for Defence, for the Prime Minister which The Guardian had published on October 31.

His Lordship held in the hancery Division that section 10 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981 had no application and that Parliament did not intend thereby to interfere with the proprietary right of an owner of a document to have it returned to him.

Her Sizzon D Brown for the Crown; Lord Rawlinson, QC and Mr Peter Prescott for Guardian Newspapers Ltd.

MR JUSTICE SCOTT said that on October 21, The Guardion received a document which they published in full on October 31, under the headline "Heseltine briefing to Thatcher of cruise timing". The Guardian did not become the identity of the property of the contraction of the contrac know the identity of the person or persons who supplied it, nor how such person or persons obtained it. It was a photostatic copy of a memorandum dated October 20. prepared by the secretary of state for the Prime Mioister, Copies were sent to the office of the Prime Minister and to certain other departments, each copy being individually marked so as to identify it from the others. The markings had been partly obliterated, but might suffice to identify from which of the original copies it was made.

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Obviously the original memor-Obviously the original memorandum and the original copies were the property of the Crown. It could not be doubted that the photostat copy was supplied to The Guordian without any authority from the Crown. It was highly likely that the supply of the copy to The Guardian must bave involved a breach of duty by some unidentified employee or officer within one or other of the officer within one or other of the Departments of State which re-

ceived copies.

The Crown wished to identify the source of the leak and for that purpose was anxious to recover the document supplied to and still held by *The Guardian*, and asked for it to be returned, by a letter dated November 11. In their reply *The Guardian* offered to return the document, with the markings fully blicared. The terms of the control of the obliterated. That was not satisfacthry to the Crown, and accordingly the Crown issued a writ and nouce of motion on November 27.

of motion on November 27.

The Guardion bad behaved with complete responsibility in the matter. The publication of the document on October 31, followed careful consideration by the editor to the questions of public interest that publication might tovolve. He concluded that the document related to matters of legitimate public debate and that no damage to resident legitimate to the constant of the constan

If his Lordsbip were wrong, The Guardian could only succeed if the court were satisfied disclosure was occessary in the interests of justice national security would be caused.
On demand for its delivery up. protect the anonymous supplier by declining to return it otherwise than after obliteration of the marks that might assist in identifying the source. He made it plain that pending the court's decision the marks would not be obliterated or be decision.

the document defaced or mutilated.

Mr Simon Brown based his case
on ownership of the document. Copyright in the original document was clearly vested in the secretary of state or in the Crown under sections
2, 4 and 39 of the Copyright Act
1956, and its unauthorized copyrigh
was an infringement of copyright
and under section 18 (1) the copyright owner had the same rights to infringing copies as if be were the

The court had been referred to the Torts (Interference with Goods) Act 1977 which had created a statutory

1977 which had created a statutory ton of "wrongful interference with goods", which stood as a substitute for the previous torts of deunue, conversion and trespass to goods.

Section 3 of the 1977 Act provided that the relief was either (a) an order for delivery of the goods, and for payment of any consequential damages, or (b) an order for delivery, but giving the defendant the alternative of paying damages by reference to the value of the goods, logether in either damages by reference to the value of the goods, together in either alternative with payment of any consequential damages, or [c] damages. By section 3 [3] relief could only be given under one head and head (a) was at the court's

Lord Rawlinson argued that the Lord Rawlinson argued that the court should decline to excercise its discretion, on the ground that there was public interest in material and information concerning matters of current public debate being made available to the press; that the order for delivery up of the document might enable the source to be identified; that no overriding point of national security was raised, and that the remedy of delivery up ought to be declined.

that the remedy of delivery up ought to be declined.

The intrinsic value of the document held by The Guardian was nil, and no consequential, damage capable of judicial recognition had been or would be suffered by retention of the document by The Guardian. To, deny a remedy under head la) would in effect deprive the Crown of a remedy at all.

It could not be a permissible

It could not be a permissible exercise of the court's discretion to attach to an order for delivery up a condition that permitted The Guordian to deface the document by removing the identifying marks. The discretion was to order delivery of the goods - which must mean delivery up in their present state -or to refuse such an order and leave the Crown to a remedy in damages, a refusal of relief under head (a) would represent a misuse of the discretion and be an injustice to the

Accordingly, his Lordship con-cluded that, subject to section 10 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981, the Crown was entitled to recover their property and delivery up of the

Under Order 29, rule 2 A (1) of the Rules of the Supreme Court, an order for delivery could be made in order for delivery could be made in interlocutory proceedings, but it would not be right to do so if there was a reasonably arguable defence, particularly where the goods were not in jeopardy pending trial. Per contra, if the defendants could show Metropoliton Stipendiary Magis-trate, Ex parte lbrahim (The Times December 7) should have been R v Camberwell Green etc. no reasonably arguable defence it

# When non-strikers are directly interested in trade dispute

Before Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Roskill and Lord Brandon of Oakbrook

(Speeches delivered December 15)

Where groups of workers belong-ing to different unions were employed by the same employers at the same place of work and there the same place of work and there was a trade dispute between the employers and one of the unions, those workers who belonged to other unions were "directly interested in the trade dispute" within the meaning of section 19 (1) of the Social Security Act 1975 if the outcome of the dispute would be automatically applied "zeross the board" as a result of a collective agreement or established industrial custom and practice at the place of 420, 42b).

The Guardion did not contest the Crown's ownership of the document, but based their defence of section 10 of the 1981 Act, which person to disclose, nor is any person guilty of contempt of court for refusing to disclose, the source of information contained in a publi-cation for which he is responsible, unless it be established to the satisfaction of the court that disclosure is necessary in the interests of justice or national security or for the prevention of disorder or crime". custom and practice at the place of

Security Commissioner from the decision of the Court of Appeal (The Times May 3, 1983) who allowed an appeal by the claimant, Mrs. Kathleen Presho, from the commissioner's dismissal of her appeal against the refusal of the local tribunal for Accrington and Rossendale to allow her claim for unemployment benefit from November 18 to 22, 1978,

Mr Simon D. Brown and Mr Mr Simon D. Brown and Mr Stephen Aitchison for the Depart-ment of Health and Social Security; Mr Benet Hytner, QC and Mr Joha L. Hand for Mrs Presho.

LORD BRANDON said that the claimant was in Navember 1978

Suspension, work came to a standstill at the factory.

On November 20, 1978 all 417 employed by Brooke Bond Oxo Ltd

participant, she applied for unemployment benefit. The insurance officer refused her claim on the ground that, in the circumstances, she was disqualified by the relevant legislation from receiving such benefit.

The material facts were set out in The claimant was at the material The claimant was at the material time employed as an instructor/machine operator, that is a production worker at the factory. She was a member of the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers (USDAW). Also employed at the factory were 57 maintenance engineers who were members of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Worters (AUEW).

That union put in a demand for the phase I and phase 2 increases (under the pay policy then in force) to be consolidated into their basic wages which demand would, if conceded, presumably represent a

conceded, presumably represent a financial improvement for them, in that over-time rates calculated on

increased.

The management of the factory did not feel able to concede that demand. A work-to-rule was imposed by the maintenance engineers. As a result of an alleged refusal by two engineers to do a particular job and their subsequent suspension, work came to a standard at the factory.

Harwood, Lancashire.

During or following a short period when she was had off work in consequence of an industrial dispute in which she was not herself a trateous would be brought forward to an entire next. settlement being that pay nego-trations would be brought forward to an earlier date in 1979 than had been originally contemplated. Section 19 (1) of the Social Security Act 1975, before amendment, provided: "A person who has

lost employment as an employed earner by reason of a stoppage of work which was due to a trade dispute at his place of employment shall be disqualified for receiving shall be disqualified for receiving unemployment benefit so long as the stoppage continues ... but this subsection does not apply in the case of a person who proves – (a) that he is not participating in or financing or directly interested in the trade dispute which caused the stoppage of work; and (b) that be does not belong to a grade or class of workers of which, immediately before the commencement of the stoppage there were members

before the commencement of the stoppage, there were members employed at his place of employment any of whom are participating in or financing or directly interested in the dispote."

The result of the amendment of that provison by section 111 (1) of the Employment Protection Act 1975 was that an employee, who was laid off by reason of a stoppage of work due to a trade dispute at his place of work due to a trade dispute at his place of work employment was disqualified for receiving unemployment benefit unless he could prove (and the burden of proof was on him) two matters: first, that be was not participating, and, second, that he was not directly interested in the trade dispute which caused the stoppage of work.

in the present case it was common ground that the claimant did not participate in the trade dispute between the AUEW and the control of the outcome of the dispute across the board should come across the board automatically as a result of the control of the outcome of the dispute across the board should come across the board should come first, a management. The sole question, therefore (remembering that the borden of proving the negative was on the claimant) was whether she was "directly interested in the trade dispute" within the meaning of that

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expression as used in section 19 (1)
In his Lordship's view, the
expression "directly interested in
the trade dispute", as used io
section 19 (1) as amended, had to be given its ordinary and natural meaning in the context in which it

That context was that of situations arising out of industrial relations, including among other possible situations that of a trade dispute causing a stoppage of work at some factory or other place of work, at which different groups of workers, belonging to different trade unions, were employed by the same

employers.

His Lordship would hold that, where different groups of workers belonging to different unions were employed by the same employers at the same place of work, and there was a trade dispute between the common employers and one of the unions those workers belonging to other unions were directly, and not merely indirectly, interested to the trade dispute provided that two conditions were fulfilled.

The first was that, whatever might be the outcome of the trade

might be the outcome of the trade dispute, it would be applied by the common employers not only to the group of workers belonging to the one union participating in the

about automatically as a result of one or other of three things; first, a collective agreement which was legally binding; or, second, a collective agreement which was not legally binding; or, third, established industrial custom and practice at the class of wark concerned. the place of work concerned.

It was, in his Lordship's opinion, a pure question of fact whether, in any particular case, those two conditions were satisfied or not. It was, moreover, a question of fact of a kind which insurance officers, local tribunals and the company of their missioner were, by reason of their wide knowledge and experience of matters pertaining to industrial relations, exceptionally well quali-

In the present case the commisconditions were satisfied, in that the conditions were satisfied, in that the employers would, by reason of the factual situation at the factory, by which be clearly meant the established industrial custom and practice there, apply automatically the outcome of their dispute with AUEW to other groups of workers belonging to other unions at the same factory, including the group of workers belonging to USDAW, of which the claimant was one. It was not and could not with any chance not, and could not with any chance of success have been, contended that there was no or insufficient evidence to support that finding of first but the comparisations. fact by the commissioner. There appeared to be three

important considerations which

The first was that it accorded with that adopted since 1926 by a substantial number of social security commissioners (or their carlier equivalents) after expression concerned had

expression concerned had hist appeared. Observations of the Court of Appeal in R v National Insurance Commissioner, Ex pane Stratton ([1979] QB 361, 369, 374) made it clear that, where there had been a consistent line of decisions in the field of national insurance by specialized tribunals over a large number of years, a court should be slow to depart from them

His Lordship agreed with those observations and regarded them as applicable in the instant case. The second consideration that the approach adopted by his Lordship accorded substantially with the natio decidendi of the majority judgment of the Court of Session in Watt v Lord Advocate (1979 SC 120).

The third consideration was that, if the expression "directly interested in the trade dispute" were to be given a narrower and more legalistic interpretation than his Lordship thought it right to give it, the way would be wide open for deliberate and calculated evasions of the basic provision of section 19 (1) as amended, with the result that the effectiveness of the subsection in effectiveness of the subsection in achieve its manifest object would be

Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser, Lord Keith and Lord Roskill agreed. Solicitors: Solicitor, DHSS; Hextall Erskine & Co.

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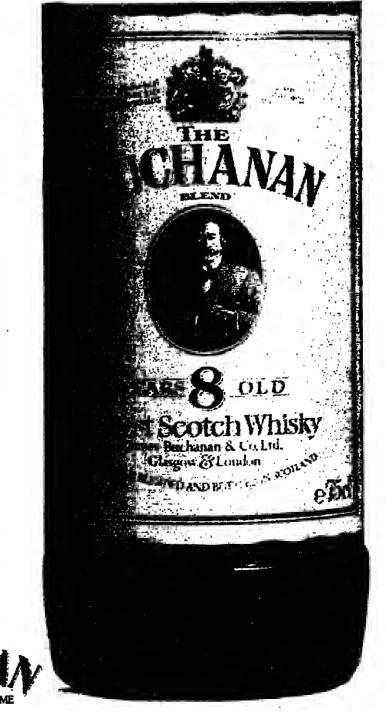
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THE ARTS

Cinema: David Robinson pays tribute to the genius of Max Linder (left), born 100 years ago today, and reviews new releases in London

Treasurer of visual comedy

to avoid large and jealous

The sophistication of his

bumour and technique were far ahead of their times. He

revealed a distinctive camera: sense even before he became his

own director. In his first starring film, Debuts d'un patineur, he manages, as he tecters and tumbles on his

skates, always to keep himself in perfect compositional relation-

ship with the exquisite back-grounds of the frozen Lake Daumesnil. Called upon to turn out his films at the rate of one a

week and sometimes one a day, be made imaginative use of whatever locations and props-were at hand: the Paris streets;

Berlin squares and a Madrid corrida when he was on a

theatrical tour of Europe; the

Côte d'Azur or the ski slopes when be was snatching va-cations; his family home when he was recuperating from one of the succession of illnesses that

The poles of Linder's creation

were the vivid reality that came from this habit, of using

locations in preference to the studio, and the surrealities of

dogged him.

at the edge of madness. Brandauer and the old familiar face of Connery

Between the Bond film and Jaws 3D much of the week seems to have

been spent underwater. Again brand

loyalty will no doubt come into play,

though the latest Jaws seems aimed at

an audience so young that they are likely to suffer nightmares from the

very nearly make it all worthwhile.

mally inanimate objects like shoes will develop erong lives of their own; or Linder will launch into nightmaies of being dis-covered taking a bath in public,

or engaging in deathly combat with indomitable flypapers.

How could such a supreme

forgotten? He was a victim of

than successful. Back in France

his feature career was spas-modic. Eventually he could bear no more. On October 30, 1925.

restore the recognition her father deserves. Channel 4,

which does so much for our

visual education, plans to show The Man in the Silk Hat, ber

latest and finest tribute, in the

cermicate might well be taken

seriously. It all happens in an absurd agustic, theme pack, with jolly doubling. Tornation water-skiers.

arrival of a monstrous shark will

admirably selective, only chewing up such undesirables as the theme park's

owner (Louis Gossett Jr), a shark himself, and a sensationalist British

press photographer (Simon MacCor-kindale, doing a good deal too much

ArriVision proves the best 3D process so far seen, giving an impression of full contour and reality.

(It only goes wrong if the action is too

fast or the viewer tilts his bead.) The

process now seems only to be waiting

**Television** 

Firing

line

for better uses.

his successors - Chaplin in-

Linder was the first to

introduce comedy of character to the screen. Other comedians

upon frenetic knockabout. The

comedy of Linder's films, like that of Chaplin or any of the later great comedians, rose less

the burnour lay in the contrast

between the mad, disordered world be created around him

and his own indestructible elegance and style. He was no grotesque be was young handsome, debonair, gay, immaculate (give or take an ocasional fumble in a lake or soaling with a boost ir silk hat force out.

a hose) in silk hat, frock coat, cravat, spats, patent shoes and swagger cane. He was gallant,

and gallantry was generally his downfall, for either his lady friends demanded extravagant exploits as proof of affection, or

of his generation depende

greeting the visitors to the North Pole with a chorus line of tap-dancing penguins.

Irving Wardle

# Snow White and the pa

Phoenix "You said it was Aladdin", complained a little boy stum-

bling ahead of me into the stalls. "Well, it's Snow White", came the parent reply. "Now shudthe parent reply for "Hi-de-hi"."
the right reply for "Hi-de-hi"."
but be and Muddles (Mike Newman) have the uncanny rapport of a twinking Paddy women and encoffined heroines and a rouged old cabbage in hard to remember whether one is seeing Little Red Riding everyone winces.

Hood Sleeping Beauty or what Entering with blissful All kinds of everything could belong anywhere - and so, frankly, could these cardboard

sets, decidedly too tacky for the West End. Then along come the seven dwarfs - apparently real ones -silhouette-lit and stomping over a bridge with lanterns glowing and Hi-to noises. Their characterization has little chance to register but their mini-wellies do: a rainbow collection from

our to buy. Apart from the sticking door

avocado to violet which junior audiences will probably clam-

bungled burglary routine by the resident clowns (Jim Dunk and Clive Wood), incorporating an The book is full of empty. pantomimic tricks (such as the obligatory big Hello for the most superfluous character), loose ends and undeveloped

Looking on the hright side, the show has a good score by John Gould that goes with a fine music-hall bounce and includes numbers, such as a number of the state o recipe for eel stew, that lend themselves to witty chorus work. Ian Judge's production is at its best as a musical: bringing the conspirators together to defend their egg-grabbing as "All For the Public Good", and

Briefly granted his return to youth, Mr Rossington makes a fetching appearance in a tutu to... thunderous applause and blown . kisses from his balletic partner. And, besides Robert Austin's Demon King, a satanically-Edivardian heavy swell, there is a very classy principal boy from, Gay Soper, obvious Prince material however humble his

aside to let the Dame's sedan chair off stage, my only real gripe is that the show's eye on the box office directs it at a telly-reared audience: electric guitar and percussion even for Nuterocker, dances, and sassy chorus girls as seen on the box.... Even Dame Doughnut (Frank.)... kie Desmond expects and gets

awaiting a prince's kiss, it is camiknickers as they bat balls of dough round the bouse till.

Entering with "Happy Talk" (with blissful incongruity), Dana relaxes into her young audience's vociferous reactions and registers innocent alarm by turning her palms outward asthough testing wind resistance prior to takeoff.

Barbara Halliwett's Wieked Queen makes her mark with her chandelier-sbattering cackle but the upstaging prize must go to the little red-suited girl unwisely beckoned on, who peered selfpossessedly towards the wings, waved at friends in the audi-ence, and when invited to name herself bashfully wiped her nose with the back of her hand.

**Anthony Masters** 



tame fightine biologists and a sort of condervater hausted house among the attractions. The consequences of the

surprise no one with a memory of offier disaster movies and the precedent. Jaws., This shark is week is a slicker and better cast piece of work than the Watford version, with equal claims as a traditional panto, But, where Watford gave the story a local twist, the Shaw version simply takes, events as they come dragging the author (Myles Rudge) along in their wake, On come the Prince

Darkness and his roguishly benevolent opposite number (Joyce Grant) to select Mother Goose's cottage as their battleground, and you expect them to follow through with a plot-hinging on burnan discontent. The Dame then rolls on in the person of a crinolined Norman Rossington who carries contentment to the point of simple-mindedness from her opening tumble off her tricycle to her hospitality towards an orphan on the day she is due for eviction by slimy Squire Bagshott.

The story briefly roturns to the rails when the Demon King, posing as a representative of the Wicked Landlords' Protection Society, advises the Squire to

steal the golden goose and carry on with the eviction so as to crect a multi-storey car park.

their targets' armpits, last night's TV Eye (ITV) will have seemed endearingly homespun.
"Where's that first live round?", an officer asked a volunteer hoping to join the 5,000 authorized shots in the Metropolitan Police. The round was not where it should bave been. "Ob my God!", said the officer, Seven Dwarfs with a mock-desperate laugh.

élite group were, according to one new entrant, inevitably "a hit and miss affair". Well, yes and no. The programme had begun with a coovincingly wet and confused re-enactment of the sbooting of Stephen Waldorf, who was seen coaching the actors in their nasty, short and brutish parts. "We were fright-ened", said one of the actorpolicemen, explaining his near-fatal mistake. One of Scotland Yard's top men indicated that psychological testing would soon form part of their selection procedures; a retired superin-tendent from Yorkshire suggested that training courses should have such stresses built into them as would "make a man break if he's going to".

Selection methods for this

Mr Waldorf, who made a personal appearance at the critics preview, described the reconstruction as a "very fair portrayal" of what had hap-pened to him, and added that the dramatization had helped him get something out of his system. No reviewer could argue with that.
Gans were much in evidence

in Channel 4's A Flame to the Phoenix (surely phoenixes provide their own flames?) as some exquisitely-dressed Polish aristocrats, counterpointed by some poor but honest Polish proles, waited for the 1939 war clouds to hurst over their heads. There were also some exquis-itely-dressed English aristocrats at the country house where the events unfolded, though as everyone spoke with exquisite Oxford accents, and as all the young men seemed to have the same sort of face, it was hard to

tell who was who. Heel-clicking heroism with a basis in bistorical truth is an infallibly effective recipe, so this Film on Four was in little langer from the off-button, but it was appallingly cheapened in its final frames. As handsome Florian died bravely in the saddle we flashed back to his seenage cousin's words about her lost virginity, an unlikely tale when first told, and grotesquely inappropriate now.

ulgarity, like murder, will out. Today's History (Channel 4) took an interesting if over-dif-fuse look at changing notions of "childhood", from miniature adult to wage-slave to (increasingly now) a substitute for immortality. It made an excellent commercial for the Christmas issue of History Today.

Michael Church

opened a couple of months ago, and will certainly be as successful here. The credit titles indicate commercial confidence: the production partners include European Banking Company, Manufacturers Hanover, MFI Furniture Group, Midland Montagu Leasing and the First National Bank of Chicago (London Branch).

Then again there is the reassurance of old times sake. Sean Connery (after his own protestations of never again) is back, looking hardly a day older or thicker, and still outclassing every other exponent of the role, in the goodnatured throwaway with which he parties all the sex and violence on the way.

The story recycles Thunderball, in which Connery starred 18 years ago; but Lorenzo Semple Jr's script is a rather monontonous switchback with Bond alternately placed in fixes and then ingeniously or violently extricated. The element of self-parody is Menaco) and an excess of underwater rather clumsly selfconscious C'Lets get back to the gratuitous sex and violence, exhorts "Q"). The touches of sardonic topicality are better the bothin 20 has exchanged his laboratory for what looks like a bicycle repair sbop and bewails the cut-back of Government funding for

One hundred years ago today time, however, Linder had built Gabrielle Leuvielle was born in up a treasury of visual comedy Saint-Loubes, a little village which has continued to serve

parents were wine-growers. As cluded - down to the present Max Linder be was to become day. It is hard to discover a

the first great international comedy plot or a single gag that clown in the cinema. In the is not anticipated in the 500 or seven years preceding the First more short comedies of his World War he acheived world-

Silk Hat, the delightful bio later great comedians, rose less graphical tribute by Linder's from the inherent comedy of own daughter, it was the first the action than from his own opportunity for over half a responses to it. In Linder's case

near Bordeaux, where his

wide fame and popularity that

were only to be exceeded by Charlie Chaplin. Yet today

least outside his native France.

When this year's London Film

Festival showed The Man in the

century to see his masterpieces of comedy; but very few Londoners were curious enough to attend the show.

Linder was the only other comedian of silent films to

establish a rapport and friend-ship with Chaplin, who called him "The Master" or "The Professor". Linder was estab-

ished as a star even before Chaplin imned the Fred Karno music-ball comedy troupes, and

his career was already on the wane by 1914 when Chaplin made his first films. In that

Vienna PO/Mehta

This year's homage to Webern,

focused in the Olivetti Inter-

The work, which was first

performed in the year in which

Schoenberg began to teach Webern, and which inspired his

own Passacaglia, was an enrich-

monic's vital and intensely

committed performance.

Zubin Mehta's own evident

One could argue that the piano

duo is for the twentieth century

what the string quartet was for the late eighteenth: a natural,

neutral medium in which to

think musically. So it seemed

on Wednesday night when Keith Williams and Clive

Williamson gave a splendidly alive recital of three works from

the last 20 years, all three taking up the invitation and the challenge to peculiarly powerful

colourful musicians as well as

expert craftsmen.
This was at once apparent in

the Ligeri, which was almost shockingly lovely after the

rather than its dissolution, in

the finale. where previous

events are put under water and

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There is a new element too of movie-buff references: the evil Fatima

Some of the approrting performs ances (Edward Fox, Rowan Alainson), are simplified, the compensatory exception is the arch-villain of Klaus-Maria Brantiauer, easily the best thing in any Bond film since Lotte Lenya honoured From Russia With Love. As. Max Largo, phytocratic collector of yachts, beautiful women, objets d'art his espionage devices. and stolen Cruise missiles, he displays a serpentine charm and the chill calm

Blush (Barbara Carrera) is based on the Wicked Queen in Snow White both in her costume and her dramatic. staircase descent, though she makes an exit more like the Witch of the North in The Wizard of Oz, sent up in smoke and leaving as the only vestige a smouldering pair of pointy shoes. For the finale the film turns into The Last Days of Pompeii. The old gadgetry and special effects work are today somewhat eclipsed by touristic locations (the Bahamas, the Riviera,

intermittent shots of masticated corpses, the "Parental Guidance" Concerts

excitement in the work showed, as it should, in his recognition that bere was life set in motion by the rhythms of colour itself. the performance bad a weakness it was, indeed, in the national Webern Cycle, was caught up in Wednesday's closing concert in one of the most boldly-eteched Janus faces of all, Schloenberg's Pelleus und sometimes oversharp definition of orchestral counterpoint in narrative which is never quite so explicit as it may seem. But time and again one had

to wonder at moments such as when the oboe, as Melisande, feels its way through the cellihaunted by the spectre of Goland's horn. Or at the playful seduction of the violins by the flute; at the strange menacing aether of flutes, solo cello and ing choice for finale, and all the

harp; at the voracious sense of their new birth. self-perpetuation in which the entire orchestra is taken up, for the last time in Schoenberg. crucial in the 13 years since his defined in the finale, but one suicide. Monologe might seem an ironic title for music engaging two performers, but the piece is very much a

soliloguy by the composer, in which he sets the creatures of his own imagination against those of other composers from Bach to Messiaen, and aginst the awful consequences of imagination gone dead: massive splashes of clusters and groanings in the deep bass.

Smalley's majestic, spacious and vibrant study in harmony, now happily available on record

(Auracle Ancauc 1006), gave the concert a richly rewarding second half. **Paul Griffiths** 

challenge to peculiarly powerful unterances, unchorcuraed with trivialities: Ligati's Monument triptych, Bernd Alois Zimmermann's Monologe and Roger Smalley's Accord. Nowhere, though, did intensity of thought drive away beauty of sound, partly because the pieces are made that wate partly because Mr Williams and Mr Williamson are both warm and colourful musicians as well as Chamber Orchestra of Europe/Accardo Festival Hall

Founded in 1981, the Chamber Orchestra of Europe is an international body with many British-looking names. On Wednesday evening it showed steely, snappisb interpretation of the Kontarski brothers familiar on record. The mechitself to be an ensemble of very high calibre, and in the opening Audante of Mozart's Divertiastical severity of the first movement lapsed more rapidly into a mirage, and the work appeared to find its fulfillment, mento, K137, the strings pro-duced a tone that was beauti-fully smooth and light but also acutely expressive. They were acutely responsive as well to Salvatore Accardo's batonless direction. The bounding central move-ment entailed no loss of

The Zimmermann performance was also revelatory, conrefinement; in fact the nuances cerning the general feeling that bis music has become more CIN1444 NOTTING HILL | 22 | 0220 | 727 5750

Schumann s. Fourth Symptomy, stretching out and leaning forward too, while similarly conscious of the weight it must carry behind. The tingling excitement Schumann felt while composing it failed quate to break through the rigorous duty of this performance, in which To those who watched Mon-day's *Horizon*, in which FBI marksmen learnt gleefuly to bit the "centre mass" between sheer physical energy perpetually trod down its imaginative

Before the interval we heard

The evening ended, though with a fitting envole a repeat performance of Webern's Six Pieces for Orchestra, Op6, pitch and rhythm fluttering in em-

**Hilary Finch** 

could have done with a clearer differentiation of tempos between these last two movements. The composer's directions - Allegro di molto and Allegro assai - are not of maximum belpfulness.

For Mozart's Sinfonia Con-certante, K364, Mr Accardo continued as director while taking up not his expected violin but the viola. The violin soloist was Iona Brown. An opening tutti showed that modest woodwind and brass. additions made little difference to the sharpness of the CoE's ensemble. And these players were full of well-directed energy in the purely orehestral passages of the latter movements.

Both soloists were at first rather disappointing, and did not project their phrases at all convincingly. In time they merged into the foreground, however, and gave a very fine account of the first movement's cadenza. The central Andante was far more consistent, and the soloists' was a beautiful conversation indeed. Though always considerable, their expressive intensity was varied with much

discretion. We finally heard Mr Accerdo's masterly violin playing in Mozart's rather lengthy "Haffner" Serenade, K250, which he again conducted. He proved to be stylish in both roles, and shaped the adventurous development section of the first movement with considerable insight. And soon afterwards there was some nearly sublime solo violin playing.

Max Harrison



(cue for good comic ad libs), the thudding drop curtain and the Royal Sadler's Wells Theatre Christmas Season 29 December - 14 January 29, 30, 31 Dec 9, 10, t1, t2 Jan Coppélia Choros La Boutique fantasque 2, 3, 4, 5 Jan Elite Syncopations Giselle preceded by St Anthony Variations Paquita/Prodigal Son The Taming of the Shrew Pincapple Poll Arts Council Eves 7.30, Sat Mats 2.30 Tickets (2.50-£10 NOW BOOKING ON 61-278 8916 (5 lines).

imp Never Say Never Again Warner 4: ABC Shaftesbury Avenue; Studio Oxford Circus; Classics Haymarket, Tottenham Court Road Jaws 3D (PG) new There would be little point in wee mentioning that Never Say Never said Again, directed by Irvin Kershner, is one of the more tedious entertain-

Graments on offer this Christmas. No one hot would believe it of a James Bond wee picture; and in any event brand to loyalty works such wonders that the oc film has been topping the box-office

charts in the United States since it

So: I'wyla Tharp

usi Sadler's Wells

dsongs by Fats Waller.

mention Tharp herself

Dance violin, suddenly Tharp goes all balletic.

Do not be fooled. This is no more real ballet than the dancers' elegant deshabille (by Santo Loquasto, all in while) is. D: Talk about jet-setting: last week wl Twyla Tharp's company was evidancing in Rome, while the real ballet costumes. There are some real ballet steps there on pa American Ballet Theatre with stage, but, as I see it, the Baryshnikov premiered Tharp's intention is to provide a in Sinatra Suite in Washington. personal equivalent of the lightness formality and grace of ballet, since that suits this music, but to do it without m Now Tharp and her dancers are ccat Sadler's Wells, where Nine Wisinatra Songs (which was the Cestarting point of the new Sinatra following ballet's conventions. Nballet) was the big hit of Wednesday night's opening, b. The bill also included another

Teleniann is all delicacy and playfulness; Nine. Stnatra Songs is sheer razzmatazz in the most world premiere in quite a different mode, *Telemann*, and glamorous of three handsome pfor starters Sue's Leg, danced to settings that are created almost entirely by Jennifer Tipton's superb lighting. The music is That was a particularly apt actually eight songs and a start because his way with a reprise, cumningly shaped for song is very much Tharp's way maximum impact. You start with a dance. They take with three duets in a row, each something standard and give it with different dancers, then an individual twist so that it bring the three couples together comes up looking quite differ- for a pseudo-finale to "My ent. In Suc's Leg. the dance Way". After that, start all over ent. In Sie's Leg, the dance style in related to disco dancing, but it would be an unusual with another one, two, three, four couples, building from one, disco that attracted dancers climax to another - and how with the flair and personality of can you miss when everyone Jennifer Waye, Tom Rawe and comes back, again to "My

Raymond Kurshals, not to The dancers look stunning (pretty dresses and dinner Besides which, there is the jackets), the choreography is witty, sexy and stunning by turns (sometimes all at once), point that within the deceptively casual case of it all you actually get bits of tap, vaudeand the effect is as if all those ville and other skills thrown in. half-remembered marvellous old movies had come to life. Then for Telemann, to that composer's Concerto in E major

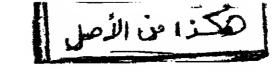
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Sex, sadism and . . . shrewdness Actor Sean Connery is best known for his role as James Bond, Ian Fleming's suave, cool

secret agent. But the Bond image is a far cry

from the star's early life

in an Edinburgh tenement. Duncan Fallowell talks to

Connery as his new Bond

film opens in Britain

his interview is short and fast, bright and early in the George V Suite at the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane. Sean Connery is wearing a green Bahamas Golf Club sweater. The Bahamas and Marbella are alternately "home". But Mr Connery is a shrewd Scot - the legal address is Monte

What's his next film going to be? "I've no idea. I've acquired a whole batch of stuff I want to read. I haven't read anything in a long time. I've been doing things like 30-hour flights from. Australia. You can't concentrate if you do things like that." Who's his favourite actor? "Unfortunately he died, Sir Ralph Richardson," Actress? "Um . . . I adore Katherine Hephurn."

Nothing very idiosyncratic so far. Connery conveys a tremendous impression of reliability both as man and star. His impact is larger than life. Or is it less than life, this giant certainty unencumbered by neurosis, this temperament whose most exotic obsession

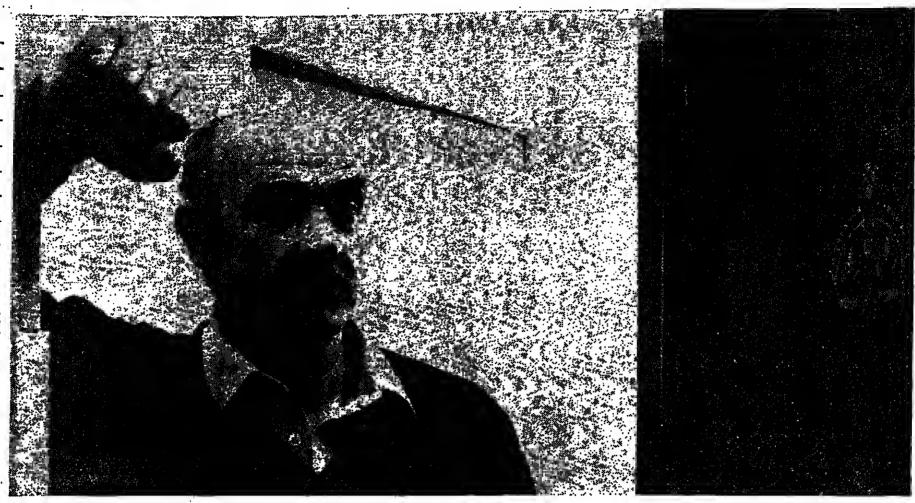
What are his weaknesses as an individual? "The real skill in dealing with major problems in relationships is to be able to unknow something about someone. You know something about a producer, say. To unknow it so that it doesn't get in the way of the main When issue, that kind of detachment, I find it drunk? awfully difficult."

Well, here's an American question connected with that; has being famous made him a nicer person?

"I think I can say I've never maliciously done anything to anyone. If I have any religion or philosophy it's that I'd rather leave the place at least the same, if not better, having been here. And I have no desire to treat people any other way than I would like to be treated myself.

hardly any deviations en route except, perhaps, for a sensible meal. But he isn't a cold person, at least not with strangers, so what's his idea of a good

party?
"No more than six or eight people. Oh, that's not always true - we had a very good party, more or less by accident, when we were filming in London and I had an apartment in Lennox Gardens, just behind Harrods there. I just decided to have a few people round and it coincided with people coming into town - Michael



Sean Connery: "I think I can say I've never maliciously done anything to anyone" (Pholograph by Brian Harris)

was coming in - Michael and Shakira . . . yes, Caine. Roger was there -Roger Moore, that is - and Albert Finney and Diana Quick - and James Hunt and his dog Oscar - and Jackie - Jackie Stewart, with his wife, and Barbara was there with the guy she's now married to, Barbara Carrera, and Michael Medwin - none of us had seen each other for a wee while and it went on and on, nobody wanted to go. It was marvellous. That's what a party's all about - timing. Otherwise I like a dinner where there's at least two people who don't quite get on."

When was the last time you were

#### The Connery Code, honed in a northern climate

"Oh, just the other night actually. I like Scotch. I'm going back a bit to beer now, too." How many children do you have?

The files give different numbers. "That's because I inherited some. When I married Diane Cilento she already had a daughter. Then we had The Connery Code is a pretty strict Jason, who's my only child." Divorced one but, honed in a northern climate, it 1973. "My present wife has from a comes naturally to him. He doesn't previous marriage two sons and a smoke. He doesn't like bunglers or daughter, and the daughter has two smart alecs or inefficiency of any kind, daughters." He married Micheline in He goes straight from the film set to 1976. She is Moroccan. They met at a the golf course to the marital bed with golf tournament in Mohamaha. Morocco. Connery won the men's title, she the women's.

Have you enjoyed being a father?
... Yes. One could have been better. Coming late to a choice of career, not marrying until late, the showbusiness lifestyle, the need for domestic help, got in the way some-

Your own home as a child - was it warm and welcoming?

"No. It was very austere. So one really spent as much time as possible out in the streets."

one drawn in broad, simple strokes with any oddities ruthlessly edited out as soon as he was sufficiently rich and famous to become uncompromisingly non-eccentric. But the granite line begins early, in 1930 when he was born into a poor Edinburgh household and given the name Thomas: father a lorry

driver, mother a charlady, his cot a wardrobe drawer, his bedroom later the kitchen, tin baths in front of the fire, a lavatory shared by 12 families on the tenement staircase. At nine he started work, delivering milk before school. At 13 he left school and became a full-time milkman. At 17

he went into the Royal Navy discharged three years later with ulcers. Subsequent jobs included lorry driver, cement mixer, bricklayer, steel bender, coffin polisher.

Then more curious and narcissistic influences came into play. He became a lifeguard at a swimming pool, took up body building, became an artist's model where he learned to relax while displaying himself - excellent training for a star whose key quality would always be physical presence. Connery represented Scotland in a Mr Universe competition (bronze medal) in London, where a friend playing in the musical South Pacific said there was a vacancy in the chorus. On impulse Connery applied and got it. He decided to become a actor.

Although Tom became Sean in 1951, stardom wasn't as immediate. His first break was in a television play in 1956 - a 20th Century Fox contract and string of B films followed, "I'll do anything I can get my hands on," he said to Patricia Lewis in her "Confidentially" column in the New Chron-icle in 1957. What he describes as the prostitution phase" of his life ended in 1962 with the appearance of the first

Bond, Dr No. If he was a lad in Edinburgh now,

ballyhoo surrounding polar

expeditions, two young Britons

expedition using dogs will repeal Amundseo's journey at

the same time. The celebrated race to the Pole of 1911 between Scott and Amundsen will therefore, in a way, be reen-

The men's motivation is refreshing. Swan, the leader, emphasizes their deep respect

both for the past and for the

They have disdained travel by vehicle or responding fragile Antarctie envirooment.

acted.

Connery is an intelligent man, but unemployed, no future, what would he

"It's desperate, I know. I've been up there. As you'll note, I was able to get into the work ethic very early. What happens now, I don't know..."
Now for a few questions about sex.

Connery is known to resent too-direct questions about his personal life, but he doesn't flinch. First, how did he discover the facts of life?

"Oh well, where I was born they were all messing around from the ages of seven and eight onwards in this higtenement building. It was impossible not to discover the facts of life. And there's a great puritan streak in Scotland which of course immediately intrigued the children - you wanted to know all about what was so terrible."

Can you remember your first experience of a woman?

The decisive encounter was - we used to have air-raid shelters underground because the war was still on. I expect they're all filled in now - and I was walking along and was followed by an ATS woman and I was what, 14 years old I suppose, just left school. We ended up down in the air-raid shelters. A lot of things started in those shelters. This one was full of water, I remember, with planks and duckboards to walk

In a 1961 interview he said: "I don't

#### I have a chance to play out the fantasies

think there's anything very wrong about hitting a woman. I don't, though, recommend hitting a woman the way you hit a man." Would he still go along with that?

Oh, yes, I still go along with that." Generally speaking, would you call yourself a romantic? James Bond definitely is. In fact it is probably Bond's most amiable characteristic.

Keeping alive the pioneering spirit

He is a very masculine man - what is feminine in his character? For the first time the composure shudders. A glance of suspicion shoots out the side of his face, that famous suspicion which has battled journalists and producers alike, always on guard against being exploited, taken for a ride, used. He still attacks the exploiters, rather pointlessly since he's as rich as any. It is the puritanism again, informed hy a slightly left wing sympathy. But actors are made to be used and, if they want to be stars, exploitation of their qualities is essential.

. . . I don't know. I'm not very good at reading my feminine side. You'll probably have to ask my wife... . I don't see myself as macho as the image. It's something that got built up."

One of the specific mistakes in Never Say Never Again is to put Connery into a toupé again. It ages him terribly. He looks much better without it. What's good about getting older?

"I'll can't think of too many things, actually. A Muslim Moroccan friend of my wife's says the thing to do is to acquire wisdom, that the real pleasure of getting older is to become wiser. I have flashes of what I take to be wisdom, but on the whole I don't seem to learn a great deal. I went through that phase of the I Ching, Ouspensky's In Search Of The Miraculous, Gurdjieff, The Tibetan Book of the Dead, you know. At the end of the day, it's

not dissimilar to what's in the Bible." Life's been good to him, on the whole. Has he had to pay a price, has he known any extreme unhappiness?
"No. I think the job has given me a

chance to play out the fantasies, the kind of stuff which might well otherwise build up inside. When I was young I was very anxious and tense, though. My ulcers started at 16. But acting released this. I never want to go back to that again.'

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# moreover... Miles Kington

commentations to the short list

# The Last Post at Christmas

Wayside Pulpit, by the Totally Reverend Phil Marsh, Chaplain to the TUC

t read the other day in the paper that it was already too late to send Christmas cards to people beginning with "Z" in Bucoos Aires. Maybe those weren't the exact details

But that was the general idea. And it made me very sad.

Somewhere in an Argentine suhorb sits someone called Alberto Zarzuela (let us sayl who is condemned to receive no Christmas cards from us in Britain A printer, perhaps, whose livelihood is threatened by the draconian laws enacted by the late military junta. How do we feel

I know how I feel

I feel that draconian is a funny word People use it all the time without knowing what it means. I know t do. So today I am going to look it up in the dictionary.

Well, well, what do you know? Draco is the name of a faint constellation in the sky. So that is what it comes from. No. hold on. Drace was also the name of

an Athenian lawgiver who made almost everything punishable by death. So draconian law, they say, is "harsh". I'll say.

I had no idea that it was punishable by death to form a closed shop of printers. No wonder our lads are out in force at Warrington. No wonder Alberto Zarzuela is feeling a bit apprehensive in sunny Argentina, Every Christmas card he receives is printed by a mao who may have been taken out and shot by the time he gets

Makes you think, doesn't it?

Little did William Caxton think when he first used moveable type that his successors would be flocking 10 Warrington to safeguard their very lives. If he had known do you think he would have joined them?

In those days Warrington was but a tiay hamlet between Macclesfield and Liver-pool, neither of which existed. Will Caxtoo and his merry band of flying pickets would have looked right twittes descending on three cottages and shouting: "Reinstate ye Warrington sixe." I doubt that there were six in Warrington to reinstate.

And yet the principle is absolutely correct. Jesus says in the Bible (TUC version): "Blessed are the solid, for they shall get their just demands. Behold, I have beeo to my executive, and my executive is with me oo this one."

What did He mean by this?

I think He meant that Alberto Zarzuela is depending on every one of us to stick by him this Christmas tide, to send him Christmas cards even if they arrive late. Behold, there were printers in the field to whom the angel appeared saying, Have you got my carol sheet ready yet? And they made reply saying. This is our busiest period, you will have to wait like everyone elsc. For unto us a son is born \*£&(), down the right wing and scored and bring to the table piping hot (continued page 67). Late result: Wrexham 0, Hymn 564.

I wonder what this means? Blow me if I know.

And yet one thing I do know, because I have just looked it up in my Spanish dictionary. Zarzuela means "musical drama". Pantomime, parhaps? Do they also at this season have in Buenos Aires an extended run of "Ali Baba y los cuarenta ladrooes"? Or "Ricardo Whittington". going on till March 3, if the new government lasts that long?

Impossible to tell. So let us, at this time of year, turn our thoughts finally to a stable in Bethlehem, where inside the oxen and ass are warm and comfortable, and outside a line of freezing photgraphers waits in the cold. tt's a hard life being a press photographer, waiting for something that may never happen, peering through frozen keyholes and breaking down doors with their bare hands.

I believe the Italians call them paparazzi.

dictionary.

#### are putting the finishing touches to an ambitious plan by which dangerously. The modern down-filled bag is warmer and weighs about 6lbs. Scott took an they will become the first men to haul a sledge unaided to the South Pole. It is oot, they say, 111bs piek axe. Swan will have a I wonder why? Unfortunately, t haven't got an tralian telescopic ski pole/ice axe weighing 3lbs. And this story is repeated with every item of an expedition of discovery so much as one of rediscovery; indeed, they have given it the GLACIER equipment. title "In the Footsteps of Scott". Robert Swan, aged 27, and Roger Mear, 32, plan to set out for the Pole in October, 1985. By a quirk of fate, a French CONCISE CROSSWORD

what psychological advantages predecessor. "We now have no fear of scurvey", he replied.
"Neither do we fear isolation." Scurvy was the bane of expeditions until vitamins were

discovered just after Scott's time. General nutrition has also much improved. For instance, Scott's daily ration, mainly of permission and biscuits, weighed 2lbs 3ozs and gave 4,430 calories. Swan's will weigh 11b t Sozs to produce 5,271 calories. The radio has banished much

pioneers made their decisions make their loads heavier, a and their lives then depended on their sound judgment. Swan. the insistence of Americans who would be responsible for search and



shout for help and someone will

How do physical abilities compare, then and now? Scott's Captain Scott, is the exmen, no doubt typical of their pedition's patron. He particugeneration, were a hardy bunch keep fit and were selected more urgent problem of the conserfor their all-round suitability vation of Antarctica. I suspect and qualifications than for their that he will also welcome the purely physical attributes. Swan attitude of respect for his father is a marathon runner while that the venture reflects, in Mear is the sort of tough cootrast to the hatchet joh done mountaineer labelled a "hard on his reputation by the recent man"; both maintain a rigorous book Scott and Amundsen both have previous Antarctic

Technology has given us mountaincer and holder of the

Mouotaineers consider a pair of men to be at a hazard on a

reindeer-skin sleeping bag weighed 15tlbs and iced up

glacier because if one falls into a crevasse the other cannot physically haul him out. Swan and Mear will be at particular risk on the fearsome Beardmore glacier. Crevasse rescue tech-niques have much improved, however, and they have some ingenious braking devices on their sledges to ensure that if one man falls in, the other should not be dragged down To keep costs down, the

expedition will be conveyed to and from Antartica by an Australian-manned yacht. Even so, the project will cost some £324,000 - a modest hudget compared, for instance, with the £4m for the Fiennes Trans-Globe spectacular. In the course of the expedition the yacht will circumnavigate the globe and it will be sold on completion to reduce the hudget. There will be a total of seven expedition members in addition to the yachi's crew.

Sir Peter Scott, son of but made no systematic effort to it will draw attention to the now larly welcomes the way in which

Mike Banks The author is an explorer and

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vehicle or resupply by air-drop, which would have rendered the journey unremarkable: when they reach their destination, however, they will be lifted out on one of the regular flights from the US base at the Pole. Chase at Ascot; Swimming

Committed conservationists. they wish to draw attention to he had over his famous Antarctica's great assets: its isolation and beauty, "I could not go to the Pole on a conservatioo ticket sitting on a machine". Swan says. "Let's go back and achieve a journey that gives us and others a sense of the old spirit of polar explo-

To the suggestion that they will only be completing half of Scott's journey, and the easier half at that, Swan explains that Scott had taken support parties to within 170 miles of the Pole; they will take none. This will brutal 300fbs per man at the start, reducing by 5lbs a day as food and fuel are consumed. As it is, they will start with

GREATICE BARRIER Bay of A 75-day journey in the footsteps of Captain Scott

miles of relatively flat barrier. When they reach the foot of the Beardmore glacier, loads will still be a daunting 200lbs. Ten days of herculean and dangerous effort should get them up the glacier and on to the polar plateau, where 350 miles will separate them from the Pole. They plao to take 75 days in all. It is fascinating to compare the changes wrought by the passage of 74 years, I asked Swan

of the anxiety of isolation. The



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FRIDAY PAGE

# Long time on short list

I have just completed the current school headship circuit. By the end I had accepted my status as the statutory woman on a short list, or indeed often on the long list. The comments of male colleagues reveal a marked enthusiasm for the presence of females in the management team, combined with a despair at the paucity and relative lack of qualifications of such applicants. In January 1982 there were 3,307

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male secondary heads and 656 female secondary heads in maintained schools in England. The figures are undisputed. In today's social climate this is serious. First, current correspondence suggests a growing concern at the lack of autstanding applicants for top educational jobs: in which case artificial barriers hindering more than 50 per cent of teaching staff are folly. Second, it is democratically unacceptable to hinder the access of one particular group to top posts on entirely nrelevant grounds. Third, the hidden influence of the institutional power structure on the present generation af students has serious coopotations. Fourth, changing social convections mean that many women will become the breadwinners and therefore should certainly have fair access to more senior positions.

The reasons for this disparity in achievement are both practical and psychological. The overwhelming disadvantage the majority of women suffer is immobility. Most are married and caonot leave their husbands' area of work. The clogging up of the promotional ladder, consequent on declining rolls, has meant that movement is almost essential for promotion.

The effect of motherhood on career prospects is seriously underestimated, despite lip service to its value as an experience. The physical effects of childhirth are often oot emphasized. We suffer the worst maternity provisions in Westero Europe, except for the Irish Repub-lic. There is no guarantee of parttime work during the early years of motherhood, followed by a return to full-time employment. Instead, with the present job crisis, teachers must hang grimly oo to their full-time posts or face long term unemploy-ment. There are formidable child obstacles,

My experience of commuting husbands in the South-east made me realize that a daily absence of 12 hours was normal. Professional promotion depends oot only on the efficiency of one's teaching, but also on wider educational contributions, such as examination marking, union activity, part-time study for higher degrees and in-service training courses. Their combination with a full-time job, domestic responsi-bility and finally motherhood is formidable indeed.

Some would argue that the psychological barriers were even more important. The basic problem is women's perception of themselves and their abilities. For four years, as vice-principal. I was the sole female member of senior and middle management in a sixth-form college. All the heads of department - apart from Hame Economics - were male. The stress was considerable.

What do we do? First, every LEA should circularize the relevent statistics. There is nothing like hard fact in fighting any case. Second. those shortlisting for any senior appointment (Scale III upwards) should give clearly formulated reasons for an eotirely male shortlist. Third every LEA should mouot in-service training sessions

organized by women for their
female teachers. Fourth, requirements are more fuodamental and include changes in our outdated maternity provisions and the Victorian assumptions of our tax and beoefit laws.

For years we have accepted the philosophy that deprivation stem-ming from class and race must be rectified by positive action. Even the traditionally liberal minded tib at a similar stance on sex.

**Geraldine Evans** The author is principal of King George V College, Southport.

# Much ado about cartoons

Helen Mason on the rivalry over a race to publish artists' versions

of Shakespeare

When Machetli in cartoon strip form was introduced to an astounded public last year there were many, including scholars, purists, and publishers who had turned the work down, who believed there was no market for such an outrageous product. They were all wrong. Not only is there a market, but also there is considerable rivalry to coroer it. This month, with Macbeth still selling, there are two more cartoon books on sate.

The cartoon classics were the brainchild of artist Von. who has produced a version of Rongo and Julier (pictured right) which has reached the book shops only days before a cartoon version of Othello. To the public, all three cartoons look like part of a series, with variations onty in price. They are identical in shape and size and all use first folia icxis. But in fact they come from different publishers.

Von's first illustrated play. Mac-beth, was neglected for three years until it was spotted by Anne Taute. who created Oval Projects in order to publish it. But Von's subsequent version of Romeo and Juliet was published by Michael Joseph. Oval Projects' second Shakespeare cartoon was drawn by Oscar Zarate.

Both publishers intend to produce more plays and such rivalry must amaze all who doubted that comic book Shakespeare was a commercial proposition.

Publishers who rejected Macbeth invariably asked: "Who is it aimed at?" Scholars would disdain the unsuhtle format, they said, while comic book devotees would be dismayed by the full text. But Mocheth was bought by children as well as adults, and often by parents and teachers. It is a success.

If the race is taken the full length of all 37 plays, the odds are oo Anne Taute to win. She has more runners in the field, Michael Joseph intend to put all their money on Von, hut-Oval Projects will use a different artist for each play.

Von. who estimates it costs him £15,000 to produce the artwork for a play, started to sell the idea halfway through the recession. He took on a business partner in a venture calling for faith - it was three years before they sold Macbeth. Anne Taute had faith. She saw the artwork in New York and morigaged her house, sold



company, Oval Projects, to publish

The legal action which briefly and dramatically stopped the presses as Machetli was being printed in Hongkong was the first public intimation of a rift between the two. Anne Tauic still cannot speak of the event without her voice rising in bewilderment. "I don't understand – t never will understand", she told me. "We were at the eleventh hour and I was in Hangkong wheo we got an injunction to stop prioting." Von, who recalls the sceoe with

more langour, claims he and his partner sought the injunction be-cause they were concerned about the quality of printing. He told me disarmingly last week that one motive for going to court was to force a meeting with Anne Taute, with whom he said there had developed a communications problem. As the action is estimated by Anne Taule to have cost him £20,000 it was a flambouyant gesture, Oval's defence cost £7,000,

Despite these lively disagreements Von took his second work, Romeo and Juliet, to Oval, which had an option on his next book. Acoe Tauté turned it down.

She explained her decision to reject Romeo and Julier. "It wasn't a patch on the first work. I said 'Look it's not right. But would you like to

bookshops by a matter of days. Othello scores by being cheaper (£4.50 in soft cover against £4.95) and has the added advantage of an optional package, including BBC cassettes of the play starring Paul Scofield. Oval has King Lear and Twelfth Night in production and aims to keep three artists working at once. The pace is rather slower for Von, who is awaiting a contract to do Midsummer Night's Dream and hopes to follow that with Homlet: Both publishers have an agreement not to overlap, but I asked Von if it irritated him to find himself in

"What irritales me are two things. That I am in competition, yes, with my own idea, although it is oot that so much as that I feel it was so forcibly taken away from me. I think that is the real point. I would never have minded if the whole thing had been amicable. I never intended, after all, to do all 37 plays. I feel ten would be a nice round number to start with. And secondly it irritates me that I am grubbing around to do my next book, whereas Anne has a commitment for a series."

competition over cartoon Shakes-

He believes the problem lies in his insistence on royalties as well as an advance for his work. Certainly be has a royalties contract for Macbeth and wanted one from Oval for do another crude, bloody one, for instance, take two years and do Hamler?"

Romeo and Juliet, published by Michael Joseph, beat Othello to the Romeo and Juliet, published by Michael Joseph, beat Othello to the Romeo and Juliet, published by work with less litigious artists. Her going from radio to televisioo to

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was paid a flat fee for Othello, was trouble-free. Von approaches Shakespeare with respect, affection and a rather scholarly tendency to pedantry. He owns the first folio edition from which the text for the plays was

used. Zarate, an Argentinian, has a gentle, diffident personality which no one who has seen his work would expect. His pictures suggest he sees the world as a menacing place, an atmosphere he has grafted on to his bald and sinister Venetians, his slylipped lago and his foolishly venal Roderigo. His work on Othello is an extention of the drawings of punks and skinbeads to bis studio.

At 41, he is ten years older than Von. The idea of a Spanish-speaking Argentinian producing an illustrated Othello had struck me as incongruous, but Zarate smiled and said: "We read Shakespeare io Argentina, you know. He does not belong only to the English."

Although Zarate had no difficulties with Oval Projects, his work oo Othello was not devoid of trauma. When he was commissioned to do the play, the Falklands crisis was reaching its height and it affected him badly. "I became very paranoid.
I was disgusted with the whole event, with both sides. When the war started I was dealing with the first act where Othello is called to newspapers. Then to Shakespeare. I do not see Othello as a noble hero. I see him as a mercenary."

Zarate has no reservations about the value of cartoon Shakespeare. Curiously, at one time Von did. Illustrated Shakespeare is not new, although cartoons using the full text are. Von bimself had a comic version as a child but had oot, be

told me, taken it seriously. "To me", he said, "Shakespeare is the language and to abridge or colloquialize removes the essence. I got an enormous amount of pleasure out of Shakespeare, even as a 16-

Overcoming his instinctive mild snobbery about comics, be found the project artistically exciting and, like everyone else involved in publishing Shakespeare comics, claims a missionary zeal in bringing the Bard

He also admits candidly to a reasonable expectation that the project might make him a lot of mooey. He was paid £15,000 in advance but claims it cost him a great deal to produce the artwork.

"It hasn't made me rich. It's made me poor. I'm broke which is why I'm living here with friends." He is living in a grandly decaying bouse to Bath, all stripped wood and markelless objects so the public one. marvellous objects on the walls, one of them a painting of Voo's. He believes that by now he should be receiving royalties for Macbeth, a claim to which Anne Taute reacts with controlled exasperation.

"It's quite Iudicrous. People who

know nothing about publishing imagine it's all very quick money. An advance is an advance against royalties. If you give someone £15,000 before publication, it is £15,000 to be earned by royalties as they come in. Voo gets statements which show him exactly what the situation is. He will get royalnes - when he has exceeded his advance."

The crucial question is, how many copies of *Macbeth* have been sold? One report stated that the English printing of 33,000 sold out in three months and in America, with a print run of 53,000, it is being reprinted. Voo is very interested in these figures which he is trying to verify. Anne Taute, however, claims the first edition bas oot sold out in England, and says the American publishers are wishing they had not ordered so many.

Standing fastidiously back from these disagreements is Von's new editor, Phillipa Harrison at Michael Joseph, an English graduate whose first reaction to cartooo Shakespeare was lukewarn. She changed ber mind, she said, when the American company which owns the rights showed her Von's work. "I thiok it is absolutely lovely", she said. "And I think there is oo harm in having two publishers doing illustrated Shakes-peare. Providing we doo't overlap."

Anything that brings Shakespeare to

people who might then go and see it in the theatre could break down the

class difference in his popularity.

But if interest ends with the cartoon

play it isn't doing much good. It seems to me the young imagination can conjure np a much more

interesting picture than what is

being offered bere. Frankly, this is a

travesty of what one is capable of in

taught until this year at a mixed

nhility school in a deprived area.

She said: "I welcome anything that makes Shakespeare more

accessible. When I was dealing with

third and fourth-year classes of girls who approached Shakespeare with

reluctance, I used devices like this

myself. I got them to put the story

into cartoon form, report the plots as

for a newpaper, and act them out.

I often found that overcom

initial reluctance was all that was

needed. The layout of a play, any

This view contrasted sharply with that of a teacher, now head of English at a sixth-form centre, who

one's imagination."

**FIRST** PERSON

Caroline Harper

# My lesbian daughter

It is tough going for convention-bound, sensitive parents when offspring decides to "edu-cate" them into the 1980s. If your young should show missionary zeal in your latter-day enlightenment, don't cut and run.

Inst brace yourself for shocks.

Two years ago my daughter, who lives in London, broke the news that she was "gay" (her terminology, not mine). The shock was seismic, stunning; and I fannd myself grieving for a daughter I thought I'd lost.

lost. Nothing could bave been further from the truth. Today, from our disparate viewpoints and ways of life, we are closer than we ever were wheo she was a rebellious teenager, turning over new boyfriends and old motor cars with a panache that caugh the eye of parents and police alike.

I am not pretending that it's all been plain sailing or that I am now reconciled to her way of life. We have both, separately, been through enough heartache to keep m overdrive during maoy a sleepless night. She, during the years, was trying to suppress her "unnatural" feelings, with near-disastrous effects on her health, both physical and mental. And I, during the painful time of seeking advice and infor-mation on hisexuality – at my daughter's suggestion – from frieods and colleagues. and colleagues.

I thought I knew the underlying reason for it, of course: the divorce darkening her teenage years. We, her parents, must share the hlame for ber perversion - if that's what it was.

Friends were reassuring on this point; and unshocked. But then, it wasn't their daughter, was it? Any imbalance of male and female genes is from birth, I was told; although it's possible for a traumatic experience to act as catalyst and tip the fine balance one way or the other. It could be a temporary phase in ber life that she would discard "when the right man comes along". (It was a man said that!) And if it wasn't temporary the concensus was: "well, does it really matter, as long as she is happy and fulfilled?"

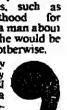
I went up to town to see her. We talked as we have never talked before; in the street, over a meal, between acts of a play - as much woman to woman as mother to daughter. I learned how her oew sexual freedom bad helped ber to think and express herself more clearly than she had been able to for years. Even if I didn't agree with her oew life, shouldn't I be grateful for

Now, two years later, she has given up her job and her career to become a "mature" student. She is surviving on her grant in ooe of London's deprived areas, picking up banners left, right and centre, mainly left, and, with a women's group. campaigning for a prostitutes'

When she does put pen to paper to keep tutors and parents happy, she undermines the English language with socio-feminist jargon, incensing us all. (She happens to be reading English for her degree).

We meet regularly and she fills me in on Life - the stuff of which headlines are made - as she sees it. As I see it, it is highly uncomfortable, slanted, and inevitably refracted through the feminist prism. I still react like litmus paper to her more extreme theories, such as planned single-parenthood for women who don't want a man about the house, and suspect she would be equally shocked if I did otherwise.

There is oo cosy ending to this story perhaps there never will be. But I have still a daughter, and a relatiooship with her, that I care deeply about. And I have



# A help or a hindrance? What the critics say "It certainly does not inspire respect for the word on a page.

dreadful", said the actor, Donald Sinden. "What really appals me is that for these prices people could get really good seats in a theatre to see the plays. Take Iago, from Othello, the play I know best because I have just played it. He is mean to disarm, the andieuce should trust him. This lago, from page one onwards, is utterly villainous. As for the speeches, the verses - they are better aid out, dare I say it, in a Penguiu edition. I think people who read comics would find it all very

stretching back to the Abbey theatre and has been a dedicated theatregoer

He has seen much of Shakes-peare, including Othello four or five times, and got an A grade at O-level in English literature. He used his own acid test on the cartoon plays by looking for specific soliloquies and speeches to see how they had been





Scenes from Othello, published by Oval Projects

confusing. Schoolchildren were all prepared to welcome the books, even flick through them, although none seized them to retire to a quiet corner. I songht a more profound view from the only A-level student I know who is an authority on Shakespeare. Matthew Fay is 17, comes from a family with theatrical enthusiasms

onsympathetic. "It's not in verse lines, so you do not get the idea of iambic peutameter. Where the verse does matter you have 10 dart from place to place. The pictures work best where there are few words and n lot of action, such as Cassio's drunk scene. I'd love to have had something like this in the third year, but it wouldn't have much value for anyone seriously

treated, and found the layout

He liked the look of Romeo and Juliet. "The pictures make a good attempt at continuity. I think this gay manages to make the drawings complement the play. The colours and pictures do have a dramatic tenor to them, and the pictures are more sensitive to the text."

The views of teachers vary with the abilities of the children they teach. David Lund, head of English at a public day-school for boys, was

"If it is a way of bringing people to a mentality which expects everything

Shakespeare who might not otherwise read the plays, fine, And on the credit side, at least the text is intact. But there is more to say against than for. There is the problem of who is speaking and in what order, and n shortage of stage directions. When yon are studying Shakespeare, as opposed to reading it, you need a glossary. I think this is pandering to

play, can be off-putting to anyone. And Shakepeare, with all those slabs of verse and archaic words, is particularly alien at first." packaged in pop form. LA LKBACK

Backing the Bill

Fron: Julio Neuberger, 36 Orlando Road, Londan SW 4 One important section was omitted from my article on the Sex Equality Bill (Comment, Friday Page, December 9), which led to an incorrect expression of my views. Al though in the context of the Bill itself I thought homosexuals should oot bave been iocluded. I am convinced that there should be ano-discrimination legislation which would tackle the needs of a group which suffers from considerable prejudice and disadvantage.
The Sex Equality Bill's failure

points yet again to the urgent need for a Bill of Rights which would at the very least incorporate the European Convention on Human Rights.

Suttee purpose From Elizabeth Sulivan, Benton

Castle, Milford Haven, Dyfed When I was a child in India 60 years ago the practice of Snttee was still prevalent, despite the edict of the British Raj that it was unlawful. Perhaps, with regard to the article on widows, (Monday

Page, December 12) and bearing in mind the status of these ladies io an Indian household this practice was out as barbario as the western mind thought.

Apart from being in the emotional state that death provokes, they were generally beavily drugged before throwing themselves ooto the flames.

# **Casualties** of the cold



Legend has it that the saintly King Wenceslas needed divine intervection to preserve the cireulation in his feet as he braved the ice and snow, for those who

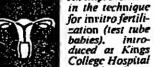
have cardiovascular problems. but do not expect a miracle, a few simple precautions will reduce their chance of becoming ane of the many casualties of cold weather Doctors find that trouble often arises as the patient

prepares to go to work, or goes to bed. It is foolbardy for a man with a poor coronary circulation to leave the warmth of his house for the hard, unaccustomed labour of clearing soow in freezing conditions, and the circulatory strain is increased if he then drives to work in a car colder than the household refrigerator. It the car has to stand outside, the engine and heater should be turned on before it is time to leave. Strenuous exercise, including

sawing logs and wood-chopping, are better avoided in very cold weather, but enough fuel must be brought in during the day so that the warmth of evening fire need not be left for

a chilly trip to the coal shed. Bedrooms should be heated. bedroom windows kept closed. and beds warmed so that the circulatioo does oot have to withstand ice cold sheets.

Invitro innovation An improvement in the technique



will, by being soler and very much cheaper, enable far more women with blocked fallopion tubes to hove habies. Two years ogo Professor Stuort Compbell, heard of o niethod of collecting eggs from

the human ovary.
It is this idea which has been developed by Professor Camp-bell and his team so that the procedure can be done as an outpatient. Na anaesthetics are needed; and as no hospital beds or operating theatres are used, costs are substantially reduced. The patient's ovaries ore first

stimulated by giving a hormone, FSH. Later a second hormone. HCG precipitates ovulation; exactly 35 hours ofter this tions, particularly salmonella hormone has been given o and woman is ready to have three or four eggs aspirated from her ovary. She is seen in a sterile by spilt iotestinal contents. room where, under ultrasound surveillance, a needle is guided through the abdominal wall and bladder to the egg. Fifty hours later the woman returns, again as an out-patient, to have the fertilized eggs, embryos, implanted in her uterus.

The method is simple, safe and quick: it has not produced any side effects, other than an occasional trace of blood in the first specimen of wrine passed after the eggs have been collected it does of necessity rely upon a highly trained team.

# MEDICAL BRIEFING

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which the heads of state may have had to bear at the European Community Summit in Athens, they can not have been more trying than the physical problems they had to overcome at

the meeting two years ago, when aver 500 people were afflicted with food poisoning. This incident has been used to illustrate the perils of institutional cooking and the need for care when cooking the Christmas dinner. Poultry is notorious for spreading gastrointestinal infec-

camphylobacteria, for

bird is likely to be contamioated It is important that frozen poultry is completely unthawed before cooking and that un-cooked meat of whatever sort is not put in the same refrigerator as cooked food, or allowed to come in contact with it. Hands

however careful the hutcher, the

Several attacks of food poisoning have been traced to rather than the habit of carving oo the whole joint. kitcheo chopping board rather. than in the dining room.

washed thoroughly after hand-

ling meat or poultry.

Knee surgery This month the first of this first of this year's skiers will hobble olong to



comploining that their knees click, lock, or ore just swollen and painful: they will join the injured from the football field already an a waiting list for menisectomy, the operation for temoval of the whole damaged cartilage.

A recent review questions

whether the development of the arthroscope, an illuminated viewing tube, now renders this operation obsolete for most cases. Although surgeons have, since the First World War, been oble to look into the knee joint with on arthroscape, it has only become established as a diagnostic procedure in the last 20 years, and only within the last decade have advances in instrument design enabled surgeons to develop techniques of operating on the cartilage under direct

Once these very difficult techniques have been mastered. a skilled surgeon is usually able to ochieve a better result by and kitcheo utensils should be removing only the damaged portion of the cartiloge. He can do this through the comparatively small incision needed for the passage of his instruments rather than by opening up the spring child.

done in a day surgical unit.

Beating asthma



As more women return to work after chimosanthe the date of de-livery becomes well as social importance. But however assiduously couples

study calendars, charts, and-diaries, the liming of conception remains difficult so that babies are still apt to be born before the firm's busiest time. A report suggests that there are rather better reasons for careful planning of birthdays than the firm's boliday schedule or a misplaced belief in horoscopes. The season of a baby's birth can have a marked effect on its chances of developing a commoo form of allergic asthma due to a sensibility to housemites.

The study shows that children born in the summer and autumn are more likely to suffer from allergic diseases due to housemites, one of the commoner causes of asthmatic wheezing and nasal snuffling problems which, once initiated, may persist throughout life. Even in the cleanest house

mites are abundant between May and September: since babies are more easily sensitized to an allergy in the first six mooths of life than at other ages, parents with a strong family history of allergy might be wise to plan for a winter or

The new operation can be Dr Thomas Stuttaford

# Anyone mean enough to throw a party without Smirnoff will have fun

throwing this streamer.

COLOUR IN CUIT OUT AND CHUCK AROUND ROOM.



# THE TIMES

**DIARY** 

take on other less lucrative, work.

To have to admit that, the society

would also concede that bills for

registered conveyancing - the easy

end of the conveyancing market -

are not quite as fair and reasonable

to the client as required by law, and

that the client may be helping to pay for someone clse's services in the

the cost of civil and criminal litigation might rise if profits from

conveyancing dry up as a result of Mitchell's Bill the society has had to

Graham Lee of the society has

therefore declared that the Bill

which is due to have its second reading in the Commons today, has

been appallingly drafted and that

consumer protection will be "sub-

stantially and seriously reduced" if

licensed conveyancers are let loose

While the Bill elearly has some way to go before it is as watertight as

it needs to be. Lee's complaint is yet

another example of the overstate-ment to which the Chancery Lane bureaucracy has recently been prone. Though the door might be

opened to an occasional unscrupu-

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Peter Kellner, political editor of the New Statesman, was experiencing some delay earlier this year in receiving a £50 fee from TV-am. Every time he complained, he was told the computer had broken down. his cheque was awaiting signature, hat sort of thing. He mentioned this roblem to Peter Jay, former chief xecutive of TV-am, when both political pundits were appearing on hannel 4's A Week in Politics.

Jay suggested a solution: Kellner hould threaten to petition to have he company wound up if it didn't ay the debt. Kellner promptly rang he secretary involved and said: Tell your boss that if I don't have he cheque by the end of the day, I'll vind up his company.

The cheque was waiting for him at he reception desk at 5.30 pm. TVm show no hard feelings - shortly fterwards they rang up Kellner at 4 m to ask him to appear on that nomine's show . . .

#### Special delivery

wonder trade unionists are ttempting quick getaways when ney see a gentleman with a large gal document in his hand moving wards them. This week, the cost of caling a writ in the Supreme Court ent up from £50 to £55. This cost s passed on to whomsoever eceived the writ in the first place hould be of she lose the subsequent

#### Doletul

tauthew Parris, formerly a member f Mrs Thatcher's private office and ow MP for Derbyshire West. cently completed filming a World n Action programme. In it, he tries a discover at first hand what life is ke when you're on the dole. The rogramme was provisionally schedled for next week but has now been withdrawn, Granada Television, which makes World in Action, was luctant to give reasons why. Since cext week, until mid-January, one upposes that the Parris programme just have a certain timeless quality.

#### - Atl Doo-dah day

ady Olga Maitland's troops and the recoham Common demonstrators vill be joining battle again this unday. While demoostrators mass Greel suiside the Ministry of Defeoce, the faitland contingent will be on the posite side of the road, each olding a letter of the alphabet tris & and families for defence".

Lady Olga's chosen weapon. llaming sword brandished aloft, will probably not deter the other sort of eace women from attacking her vith their latest battle song. It goes omething like this: 'Olga Maitland Will De nukea, aoo lah, doo dah,

D. Ilga Maitland will be nuked ... Defr and so oo.



"We're seriously considering putting only one spare room in the fall-out

# Cryptic

Eron College has rece:.. J:scovered 'a few bones" in the ciypt beneath the college chapel, not exactly an uncommon location, but the Provost of Eton, Lord Charteris, is concerned because "they are loose and we don't know whose they are". He believes that, rather than being he remains of "some overflogged medieval pupil" they are "the amily of one of my Provost

Does David Hockney have the astest writing hand in the West? In 1 30-minute signing session at the Hayward Gallery this week. Hocktey managed to sign 142 exhibition atalogues for Hockney's Photo graphs, currently on view there. He ilso signed two posters, four books and nine postcards.

# Off campus

Campus, the right-wing "alternative tudent magazine", has been banned by the student unions of six iniversities. It also has its objectors d m the right. During the last general lection campaign Simon Clark, its publisher and editor, sent 100 issues o Brian Monteith, then chairman of he Federation of Conservative students. The package was opened by Tim Cowell, assistant director of community affars at Conservative Tentral Office, who impounded it and wrote to Clark saying that he youldn't want the media to issociate Campus with the Conervative Party. This is a relief since Campus favours such things as "The leterosexual Decadence Club" and rideo nasties. However, Monteith laims that "the magazine reflects tudent life far more than Central Office would like to believe."

PHS and the pot

#### Now that the Government is House-buying: how expected to take on Austin Mit-chell's House Buyers' Bill - designed to weaken the conveyancing monthe Law Society opoly of solicitors - it may be possible for the Law Society to come clean on what actually goes on in many solicitors offices. To date, the society has been hopelessly ham strung by its inability to acknowl-edge how much registered conveyslipped up again ancing is done by experienced but unqualified clerks and how convey-ancing profits often enable firms to

by Alastair Brett

unscrupulous or inefficient solicitor — the state of anarchy and lawlessness visualized by the Law Society is most unlikely

The Society counters the "easy profits" charge by declaring that prices have come down by about 13 per cent in real terms since scale rates were abolished in 1973 after a Prices and Incomes Board report that solicitors were then making too much money out of conveyancing, Even so, the society has recently had to concede that though 87 per cent of the public seem happy with the services provided by their solicitor, at least 40 per cent think that fees are too high, against 39 per cent who think they are not.

Interestingly, the large City firms are not as worried by Mitchell's Bill as the smaller provincial practices. This suggests that the really work these days - where the depth of the client's pocket largely dictates the size of a bill - is found in the company/commercial

field not in home-buying.

The irony is that at the very time the Law Society most needs to demonstrate how good it is at policing its own members and protecting the public against overcharging, it has been rocked by the Glanville Davies scandal, in which it refused to take action against a solicitor and former member of the Law Society council who grossly overcharged a client.

it has also been embarrassed by a call for the resignation of the entire council by the chairman of the British Legal Association on the grounds that it is failing in its duties. On top of that, the campaign against the conveyancing Bill has been a catalogue of disaster.

The rot set in when Christopher Hewetson, president of The Law Society, wrote a remarkably intemperate letter to the country's 44,000 ractising solicitors on November 14 seeking to impose a three-line whip on the profession to belp defeat the bill, but at the same time tacitly admitting that he had not seen the final draft.

He also accused Mitchell and David Tench of the Consumers Association, who had helped draft the Bill, of secrecy over its contents. That in turn led to Tench's accusing the society of "breach of confidence and lack of good faith". Graham Lee made the counter-allegation that the Consumers Association was "disin-

genuous" and its report on house transfers "inaccurate, misleading, and misguided in many of its

Worse was to come, for the methods advocated by the Law Society to defeat the Bill - including potting pressure on Conservative MPs to vote against it and attempts to ensure that MPs in favour are not in the House today - have beeo reported to the Speaker as a possible

breach of parliamentary privilege.

The net result of all this is that relations between the Consumers Association and the Law Society have now reached an all-time low; the society has appeared as the last bastion of vested interest while the Consumers Association has been portrayed as the champion of the

As one North Country solicitor put it: "The panic language coming out of Chancery Lane is quite indefensible. It has not only embarrassed the profession but has made it look little better than the most reactionary element of the trade union movement

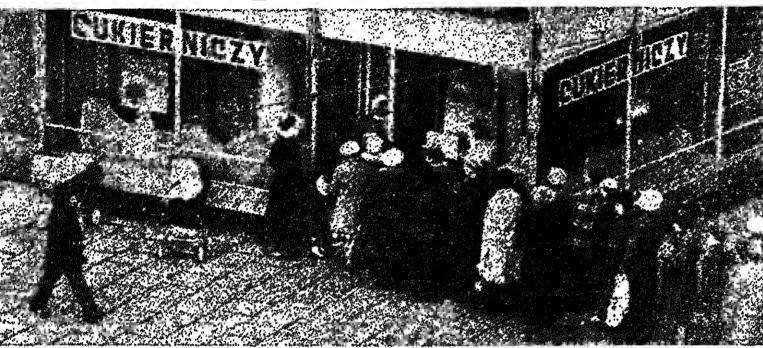
But leaving aside the Law Society's banana skin path, if Mitchell's Bill gets the successful second reading which it deserves, or the Government takes over the Bill, the society must rise to the challenge. It must put its own house in order and, given the likelihood of the Bill's becoming law, help its members persuade the public to their viewpoint: that solicitors' offices rather than building societies. banks or ticensed conveyancers still offer the safest, most reliable and fastest service in the house-buying business, and, most importantly, at a reasonable price.

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# Roger Boyes reports on Lech Walesa's plans to profit from government failures

# Poland: hope behind the price rises



Gdansk queue: despite expectations engendered by the authorities, Poles still have to wait up to two hours to buy basic foods

intends, unless his freedom of movement is again curtailed, to visit the crosses at the Lenio Shipyard which mark the death of those workers, to describe his vision of the future. It is likely to concentrate on discussion, on cementing links between workers and intellectuals and on harnessing people's anger. The game, Walesa believes, is no longer about winning or losing, but rather working out ways that will make it easier for the government to adopt parts of the Solidarity vision. This is not a struggle that has to be fought on the streets, but rather on

the factory floor. The authorities have tried three principal ways of guaranteeing calm in the country and among the working class. The sum of the strategies is known as "oormalization", a technique which in post-1968 Czechoslovakia bought a kind of graveyard peace, and which in post-1956 Hungary brought a couple of years of security police terror and then gradual relaxation. The first instrument is 10 purchase the compliance of those workers with the strongest industrial muscle above all the coalminers. They have

working on Saturdays), double rations and special shops. Solidarity activists from Gdansk have been trying to end the privileged isolation of the miners, nowever, to establish links between the fortresses of labour. In Silesia people are still sceptical of everything and everybody: of the government, of the Warsaw-controlled underground and of their bosses. But there is an uneasiness that has not dissolved with the recent announcement of an extra two kilos

double pay (though often only after

of butter a month for face workers. I he second tine of normalization is to create groups and new unions

At this time every year a group of birdwatchers assembles in an Indian

swamp to squelch and scramble through another of those obscure

rituals that mark the conservatio-

nists's season. They are counting Siberian cranes, a species celebrated by ancient Persian poets as "the Great Northern Princess" and now

more likely to be shot out of the sky

At most only 200 are left in the wild. A "western flock" of birds

breeds in the Soviet tundra and

migrates 6,000 miles to wintering

grounds at a bird sanctuary near

Bharatpur in northern India while

the larger eastern flock more

sensibly opts for the Yangtze River

With that unerring instinct for

self-destruction characteristic of so many endangered species, the

western flock flies straight across the

most turbulent areas of Iran and

Afghanistan, where trigger-happy

oldiers find the large, slow-flying

hirds irresistible for target practice

and roasted for dinner.

in China.

which can lay claim to speaking for Today, the thirteenth anniversary of the working class. The goal is that the shooting of Polish workers will join these new prowife, who has to work, earns 7,000 during riots on the Baltic coast, Lech government unions, speak their zloties (£50) a month as a part-time Walesa is expected to put forward a grievances to the officials, have secretary. Allowances for their two then wait for the results. But the unions, though they are iodeed passing complaints on to the management, are at the same time usually obliged to accept the management refusal and to translate this into language acceptable to the

> Perhaps, they say, when national federations are established and become active next year, perhaps then we can fight hard. But nobody much believes in this "perhaps" The new unions were not even consulted in advance before the renewed rationing of butter, and this fact alone condemns them in the eyes of many who remember Solidarity demands.

> The third instrument of normalization is the banning of intellectual associations that could form platforms of opposition. The intellec-tuals - who are often as badly off as the workers - a part-time university lecturer will receive 80 zloties an hour, barely enough for a coffee and a bun - have returned to their more limited circles, often based on friendships formed in the years of student upheaval in 1968.

> An underground university gives lectures, holds debates in private apartments about the future of nuclear disarmament, invites unpublished poets to recite, and cabaret singers to perform.

> The linkages between the intellec-tuals and the worker radicals are bolding up, but they are under strain. Intellectual oppositon and factory protests are taking their separate routes, and this must be ranked as one of the few successes of normalization"

Food prices will be increased next month and it is clear that there is a groundswell of frustration in Poland seeking an outlet. Take the case of a car factory assembly worker, who

after deductions earns about 12,000 children brung th something over 20,000 zloties (£140) a month - well above the national average and enough, given low rents, to survive

at considerable emotional and physical pressure - on the wife, who has to queue perhaps two bours a day after work for basic foods, and on the husband who has to work overtime and spend his free time arranging for the delivery of a part for the washing machine through the friend of a friend.

That survival, however, is bought

All around them prices, not just for food, are soaring, luxuries have been trimmed from their lives and any large purchase - a pair of children's shoes - has to be planned two months ahead. Food prices aggravate their situation, but their lives are not as intolerable as that of old age 'pensioners, single-parent families and the poorer paid. Yet it is the skilled workers who have traditionally revolted first, and put so much force behind their demands that governments have crumpled or

The problem is now one of expectations. By its persistent propaganda of sacrifice, the government has tried to reduce these expectations. But the skilled worker remembers from the early Gierek years what a government can offer oranges in the shops, well-stocked Supermarkets, services that work. And Solidarity has taught him that he has a responsibility for those workers who are less well off working in the health service, for example.

the hope of the Solidarity leadership is that connexions made during the Solidarity era will be fused again in discontent at the food price rises. Mr Walesa shares this hope, although neither the underground nor the overground expects a

huge popular explosion as experienced in 1970 or 1980. But they understand the workers, and the workers understand their power.

If the car worker goes on the being arrested. If he stays at his workplace and simply stops work, no riot police in the world could persuade him to take up his tools again. The food price rises thus give the underground an opportunity to test out their industrial muscle, to assess the nature of their support and the level of frustrations.

The government, of course, hopes to test this feeling in an institutionally acceptable way. Questionnires have been circulated among factor-ies asking the workers for their opinions about price rises. The replies - the first have already been received - are evidently unprintable in the main. Most respondents have not answered question seven name, address, workplace - and most, it is clear, see no point in price rises at all.

This is the central failure of normalization: the sacrifices demanded in the name of economic reform have oot been matched by rewards. The sole observable improvement in the economy has been a better flow in the supply of staples - bread, fat or washing powder. But even this tentative achievement has been undermined by the arbitrary announcement of butter rationing, the confession of serious mean shortages, and the visible absence of things that matter, such as toys before Christmas.

Following the code of Ham-murabi, which declared that royal physicians should lose their lives when Assyrian rulers died, the heads of Polish economic ministers and advisers have been rolling. None of this impresses. The facts are clear enough to a factory worker: the standard of living is plummeting, economic reform is bringing only higher prices and he is seized by a sense of impotence. It will be a hard winter for the Poles.

# extinction



by Tony Samstag

Meanwhile villagers in northern Pakistan and the Punjab have taken to crane-huoting. Nearly 6,000 cranes are held in

ptivity, according to the World Wildlife Fund, most of them demoiselle or commoo cranes. Some of them act as decoys to attract the migrants, which are caught in flight by teams of hunters using soias, crude flying snares of lead-weighted cords. In skilled hands, a soia can bring down a crane from 100ft More happily, recent reports suggest that some of the birds, their wings chipped to prevent escape, have adapted surprisingly well to their homes and have bred.

Other, more orthodox captivebreeding programmes have been supplemented with a range of weird and wonderful experiments: eggs produced by captive cranes have been distributed among nests in the northern tundra, and small radio transmitters have been fitted to the birds' legs to help scientists trace the vicissitudes of migration. Some Indian conservationists are convioced, however, that it is too late to save the western flock, which could ccase to migrate altogether by the end of the century. "The increasing number of obstacles the birds meet in their flight south - hunters, new industrialized areas, the disappearance of water-holes - will finally stop the migration and the cranes will be condemned to die from the cold in Siberia", the Indian Association for the Protection of Nature warned earlier this year.

The World Wildlife Fund believes seven of the 15 species of crane to be in danger of extinction, primarily because so many of their wetland habitats have been destroyed. species have recovered Several speciacularly after becoming national causes célèbres, among them the American whooping crane and the Manchurian, or red crest. crane of Japan. But as marshlands in eastern Hokkaido continue to be drained, this bird's fulure still hangs

in the balance.
Though few Japanese have ever seen a live tancho its potency as a symbol in contemporary Japan is such that it crops up everywhere, from wedding gowns to the national airline. The ultimate bumiliation for a dying species, surely, to serve as decoration for the forces that are WIDING IT OUL

# **David Watt**

# Radical – but in a traditional way

This year's Reith lecturer, Sir Douglas Wass, whose Machinery of Government series is now complete, has had a pretty mixed press. The critics have got their knife into him for excessive caution and particularly for having treated the open government issue in such a way as to leave the last arcana of government inviolate to Fleet Street.

This criticism seems to me to miss the target. I found the lectures marvellously lucid and surprisingly radical. Of course, if the BBC or anyone else expected a man who bas been Permanent Head of the Treasury for the last nine years and who retired from that eminence less than a year ago. to trumpet forth fashionable conclusions like "What's wrong with Whitehall is the Civil Service", they were out of their minds. Sir Douglas is one of the best of his kind - a very clever generalist with a detached and subtle mind but he has, like all of us, professional deformations which include an aversion to chopping one's own

But the striking thing about the Wass diagnosis and prescription is that if one compares it with what is supposed to be the last word in fearless, anti-Establishment radicalism, in Sir John Hoskyns's recent diatribes, the two are remarkably close. The Hoskyns proposition, put alongside their Wass "equivalents" are as follows.

 Hoskyns: The Prime Minister should no longer be restricted to the small pool of career politicians in Westminster in forming a govern-

Wass: Not dealt with directly, but no obvious objections provided (a) that the newcomers have sufficient parliamentary acceptability to be effective and (h) that there is no attempt to introduce a system of ministerial "overlords" such as Churchill tried unsucessfully in

• Hoskyns: Whitehall must be organized for strategy and innova-tion as well as for day to day survival.

Wass: Quite agree. Essential that ministers should have collectively an alternative appraisal to the one provided by the colleague putting forward the proposal. We must resurrect and greatly strengthen the Central Policy Review Staff (or think tank) to be the servant of the Cahinet as a whole.

• Hoskyns: It must be possible to bring adequate numbers of highquality outsiders into the Civil

Wass: Hm! In favour of specialist (political) advisers and secondments, sabbaticals etc for normal civil servants to prevent their getting too inward-looking. But completely opposed to an American "spoils" system or indeed to the politicization of the career civil service.

Hoskyns: The workload of

ministers must be reduced. Wass: Sympathetic to the problem and even attracted by the idea of a small "War" Cabinet without portfolios (as in 1916 to 1918) but reluctantly forced to Churchill's conclusion that it is only by being involved in everyday issues that people can identify the longer-term general problems and construct suitable solutions.

It will be seen from this catalogue that with the exception of the (admittedly important) item about the Civil Service as such, the mandarin does not find much to disagree with in the truculent outsider's approach,

What we are seeing here is something not so far from a

of Whitehall - a consensus which is not so surprising when you think that a debate has been going on now, virtually uninterrupted, for nearly 20 years against a background of almost unremitting national decline Even I dare oot think how many dozens of articles I have written on the subject sioce the Fulton Report came out in 1967. Where we have got to at the end of all this is that everyone, or almost everyone, is agreed that the present system of public administration does not produce enough of three commodities - imagination, strategie planning, and energy.

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Likewise everyone, or virtually everyone, agrees that while the existing hureaucratic machinery can and should be rejigged to encourage these things, the main requirement is the infusion of new blood into the system. The outstanding question, and the one that divides Hoskyns from Wass, is where this new blood should come from and which vessels it should be pumped through. Hoskyns, in effect, wants more outsiders, especially businessmen, at ministerial level in government and more outsiders actually inserted into the administrative machine, presumably a politicial initiative. Wass and other Civil Service apologist like Lord Bancroft would actually welcome brighter, fresher politicians and would like to bring in new perspectives to the existing bureaucracy, but are sceptical of non-political, "amateur" politicians, and are determined to resist any upsetting of the "the career" or making the Civil Service more "political."

This is an argument in which, it scems to me, both sides need to modify their position. It must be right (pace Hoskyns) that political skills are a necessary if not quite a sufficient condition of being a minister in a modern democracy. On the other hand, some further rejuvenation of the present Civil Service is essential and I don't see, anywhere, in the Reith Lectures, a serious proposal for bringing it about. What about the continental system of ministerial cabinets? Or what (to be a bit more brutal) about making it easier, or indeed possible, to sack civil servants?

But the main thing that strikes me about the whole argument after all this time, is how narrow, in a way, it is. National revival depends on the national spirit, which is in itself dependent on a huge variety of factors - basic education, industrial tranining, the nature of the class system, housing mobility, the modernization of trade unions, the relationship of central to local government, and above all the lexibility of the political system

The reorganization of central government is not necessarily the most important key to all these changes. If these changes could be brought about independently, the reorganization of the ceotre would immediately become far easier. This is not just a question of mechanical Democrat and Liberal claim that a reform of the electoral system would bring outsiders into government by the political route and establish more administrative continuity. They may or may oot be right about that. What matters is that the entire polity and the entire economy together should be more responsive and more supple. A change in the central government will help this process along but the process itself is what is going to change central government.

# Philip Howard

# Fasten seat belts... the lodger replies

The lodger strikes back. Those of you who have been following this landlord-tenant drama can take a singed when he turned up the paragraph of time off to meditate newcomers up to date. Lodger airline pilot - Jurfed out of London pied-à-terre on the road to Heathrow - comes to stay with us - shows no inclination to pay rent in spite of lahoured hints - sent to charm school by his employer - stagged by landlord in his column in The Times. You get the pieture?

The lodger claims the right to reply. I suppose so, depending on the quality of the piece, and provided that it is not taken as a contribution in lieu of rent. Here it is, with the grammar and spelling tidied up, and (if you will believe it) the wetter attempts at jokes dried out, sharpened up, or deleted.

"Contrary to the landlord's scurrilous assertion, I am not nearly as old or as smelly as his dogs." (Beagles, actually, ergo hounds, dumb). "As for his comparison to Polyphemus: I have two eyes, an advantage in the trade of pilot. However, when I stay with the landlord, my room is a cave in the basement below stairs. So I suppose the comparison is not wholly inapt.

"In order to keep literary pace with my crudite (sict host (sic). I looked in his dictionary of quotations under landlord for other men's flowers to decorate my prose, after his fashion. I could find only wo. Shaw said, 'If you are going to have a landlord, you had better have a rich landlord'. This seems impertinent and inappropriate.

"The only other landlord quotation is Charles Lamb's versicle: If ever I marry a wife,

I'll marry a landlord's daughter. For then I may sit in the bar. And drink cold brandy and

"I once persuaded the current daughter, that an ancient oil stove great pilot.)

volume. I don't think Juliette will beautiful thoughts, while I Jingle marry me. In any case, what I learnt on my charm course is bound to bring them running. (Ed: sceble quotation work,

lodger. You should have gone for the Russian proverb, "The only trustworthy landlord is a dead one": or Lloyd George's Limehouse speech. Who is the landlord? The landlord is a gentleman who does not earn his wealth. He does not even take the trouble to receive his wealth. He has a host of people around him to do the actual spending for him . . .")

"Sometimes our roles of landlord and lodger are reversed, when he comes to stay with me in the country. Driven by his wife (he is too idle to learn how to drive, in spite of having been motor transport officer in the Black Watch), in a car that could be an advertisement for the longevity of a well-known Swedish model (maintenance and cleaning unnecessary), the landlord arrives and strides blindly around the Wiltshire Downs in a parody of the eccentric literato, book at the high port, dogs waddling behind, villagers gaping because they have seen him being rude oo the telly.

"I have no come-back against this performance. A man dressed as a bogus admiral in Ladbroke Grove would be arrested, or impounded until the next Notting Hill Carnival.

"A fiver from each of my friends who has said to me. 'If I hear this is your captain, the lodger, speaking, I'm getting off the plane', and I could afford to pay rent. Consider. next time you fly, that you are connected by a metal tube to two meo very anxious about their own survival and well-being. You will arrive intact. And if you are not charmed on the way, you won't come back with us. We try harder." admirer of Juliette, the landlord's (Ed: As a hack, the lodger makes a

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# WE MEAN WHAT SHE SAYS

By "freezing" the budget rebates contributions, to these resources, result would have been too much solutions to the crisis now afflicting the European Community. The Parliament has stopped short of rejecting the budget outright but it has taken action which it bopes will concentrate the minds of member governments and force them to come to terms in the next three months. The intention may be meritorious but the means adopted are neither constructive nor coherent enough for their declared purpose.

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The rebate of 750 million ecu (£457 million) due to Britaio in 1984 against its over-heavy contributions to the Community's resources in 1983 has been put into what is called the reserve chapter of the Budget. The normal use of the reserve is to receive and hold money in certain cases until such time as the policies for which the money is intended are adopted. It is, in other words, a kind of hypothccated cootingency reserve, and when the intended policies are fulfilled, the rooney is transferred out of it.

In the present instance, a procedure which is part of normal Community financial arrangements is being misused as a political weapon. The Parliament is demanding final decisions on the Commonity's need to iocrease its own revenue from merober-states, on Britain's Coromunity at this stage for the and Germany's unfairly high Budget to be totally rejected. The stand that what is said is meant.

lo Britain and Germany which and on agricultural spendingwere agreed at Stuttgart in June. Giveo such solutions by the end the European Parliament hopes of March, it will release the no put pressure on the Council of money. It is not altogether clear Ministers to agree on lasting whether the money would be released whatever the details of such an agreement, hut the presumption is that, above all clse, il wants an agreement of some sort by that date, and one that is durable and comprehen-

> This claim to be seeking the long-term solution which the Council of Ministers sought and failed to find at Athens is, on the face of it, in line with Britain's own argument that the crisis has to be settled as a whole and permanently. Yet Parliament's claim to be acting helpfully is hollow since its action discriminates against two individual states, Britain and Germany, In a resolution it passed in Noverober it undertook to avoid such discrimination.

> Indeed, logic might suggest that if the object is to force the Council of Ministers to reach agreement it would have been better to reject the Budget allogether. It is lempting to think that if the European Coromunity can only settle its disputes by being brought to a brink, it might be better for it to be brought swiftly to a brink with a terrifying drop rather than to be led haltingly to a number of little brinks which irritate rather than terrify. Yet on balance the British government's view is that it would not have helped the

damaging dislocation.

Britain's position is that a startling enough hrink will be reached anyway when the ceiling of 1 per cent of the VAT-base contributions is reached in 1984. It is going to be iropossible to deal with this year's agricultural price negotiations because there will be no money for financing any price increases.

The Europoean Parliament has ehosen the end of March for its deadline because the next summit of Ministers will be held earlier that month and because it is the end of our financial year, by which time we require the rebate (and in previous years have got it.) But what if no solution is reached by the Council of Ministers in March? The Parliament may keep the money frozen after its deadline, hut if it did it is clear what the British government would and should do.

In Parliament yesterday, the Prime Minister said that in that event we should take action to safeguard our position ~ a formula she has used before. In plain language, that roeans we should withold part of our contributions to the Community due for transfer from funds held in London. This action, to compensate for the loss to which Britain was subjected, really would be the brink and Mrs Thatcher will be right to make the Community face it. This must not be bluff and the other member states need to under-

# WHEN CARELESS TALK COSTS LIVES

In peace and war information is always, and rightly, provoke The more guidance that can be power. It has always been so, since long before the age of telex or satellite television broadcasts. ll was Aeschylus who first coined the phrase that truth is the first casualty of war, and even Napoleon was heard to observe that "four bostile newspapers are more to be feared than a thousand bayonets". It is thus the natural instinct of government, at all times, to attempt to harness information to its purposes, and only more so when matters of national security are critically at stake. Journalists are aware that this desire conflicts with the traditional purpose of the press which is, as The Times sonorously declared more than 100 and most correct intelligence of the events of the time, and instantly, by disclosing them, to make them the common property of the nation".

The Beach Comroittee, whose report on the protection of military information was published yesterday, had to consider the point at which, during an emergency, government, press and people can all roughly agree that the public interest would be better served by some inhibition on the freedom to publish. Most of the British press would accept that, while the public interest is best served by maximum disclosure, this cannot be an absolute condition, since we all recognize that the public interest already requires some statutory restriction on press freedom as, for instance, in the workings of the courts. So the principle does not need to be argued; it is where the line is drawn in the application of that principle that will

argument and concern.

The Committee observed that, in time of tension, it would oot be possible to draw a very precise definition of "military information". Moreover, once the general principle had been accepted that some formal system of information control should be introduced in those circumstances, it must be left to the official authorities in the first instance to determine what information they feel needs to be protected from disclosure. Why should they be trusted to carry out such a task benignly? Why should the press and the public not assume that information will more often be withheld for political or bureaucratic convenience, than to save lives? What is to prevent this system being introduced unnecessarily, and then being abused?

answered unequivocally. Such a system, in other words, will only work at all if it starts off on a basis of reasonable trust between public, press and government. That trust should be initially secured by an acceptance that no such arrangement could be introduced until there bad been a formal state of emergency, which would anyway involve society in a wide range of consequences of information control which would only be one. Beyond that there would have to be trust by the press, cultivated over years of custom and practice, that the military authorities and their political masters operate a minimalist policy on information control, restricting the flow only when genuine operational needs require it in order to save lives. it was to be applied.

shared between editors and commanders, and the more advanced discussions that can occur on these procedures, the more likely such conditions of main issue. trust would prevail.

The general public has to trust its newspapers and the broadcasting media to see that they are vigilant in the public interest, and not just in their own, since the two are not necessarily synonymous. It is salutary, for instance, to see that the Beach Committee recommends some revision in the broadcasting code of violence. The attitude of television to any kind of conflict, from street demonstrations upwards, seems to reveal an obsession with violence, and a determination to film violence and its consequences in all their gory details without much sense of proportion.

The committee says "it is These questions can never be important for public morale that as much news as possible reach the people". We can no longer afford to have commanders like the American adroiral whose attitude to information was summed up in the statement Don't tell them anything. When its all over tell them who won". The people need the news, even when it is news of a defeat. Any kind of military emergency now so clearly involves the spirit of the whole nation that no operation could be continued for long without public support, and no public support could be sustained for long without information. In the national interest we would accept the principle of censorship during military emergencies, though we would fight hard over the detail of how

# TOO MUCH OF A SNIFF

The conviction this week in Glasgow of the Raja hrothers for the sale to children of made-up 'kits" for inbaling furoes from solvents has, naturally enough, led to a burst of press and public attention to glue sniffing. Sadly the fashion - for that is what the practice has become among some adolescents - is not new. It has been on the policy agenda for soroe time, and in a low-key way the Department of Health has taken steps to alert doctors and nurses to its growth and has convened conferences of policemen and researchers; most recently, and not before time, manufacturers of adhesives and retailers have been brought into the talks. This list, bowever, has a notable omission: parents.

There is a danger in the kind of moral panic seen this week, in the banner headlines, in the enthusiasm of backbeoch MPs to leap ioto the legislative swim, in the unfocused demand for action once a social breakdown has been discovered. The danger is that public disgust gets translated all too readily into a demand for the state to intercede, to absolve us all from the consequences of our and our dependents' actions. Manufaclurers and retailers of potentially dangerous products (and there is an array of volatile substances on the shelves of newsagents and supermarkets that could be abused) carry responsibility. But sometimes we leap too quickly for the regulatory shackles. One of the blessings of the shift in attitudes in Britain since 1979 is courts and ils tradition of social

of governmental action in the social sphere. Glue-sniffing, like: solvent abuse passed earlier this the abuse by teenagers of other year. drugs, alcohol or tobacco, demands action in and by families. The rebuilding of parental responsibility as much as the behavioural problem itself

should be the focus of policy. Over the abuse of solvent based adhesives there roust be no complacency. The figures for related deaths and injuries are an undeniable cause for concern, and the Department of Health gave reassuring sign in Mr John Patten's statement yesterday that measures are in hand, albeit within the voluntary framework already established. A programme of education for schools, clinics and shop-keepers is envisaged but the Department is right not to give it the trappings of a crusade and further glamorize the sniffing

fashion. Are such measures enough? It would certainly be wrong to extend the reach of the criminal law to either the act of sniffing or its results (for example new categories of disorderly conduct). The behaviour at issue, Mr Patten ooled, varies from being simply a transient phase through which adolescents pass to a sign of a deeper disturbance in personality. Extending the role of social services departments is not required at this point, either, Scottish examples are provocative but have their liroits: the Scottish system of children's

a new consciousness of the liroits work perhaps needed the buttress of the specific statute on

> Yct. as the Government does acknowledge, there may be a case for new law governing the sale of substances with such an obviously harmful effect. The present policy is to pin faith on the cooperation of newsagents and hardware stores which sell glue. The shops concerned are, however, ill-organized; national federations may make injunctions that have no effect in the corner shop. Perhaps the pawky response of the Raja brothers in court - although they knew the commercial benefit of what they were doing, as was illustrated by the fact they kept gallon druros of glue in the basement along with a handy supply of crisp and plastic bags - is the obverse side of that large-scale, and welcome movement of Asian immigrants into small scale retailing.

At present a legal code governs the sale of alcobol to minors; it was recently extended to cover fireworks. Some further extension to cover certain volatile substances used for intoxicating inhalation - they are fairly easy to identify and proscribe - would do no great injury to trade or liberty. Banning the sale of solvents to minors need wreak no great havoc with Airfix construction nor model building: genuine modellers would need enlist only a parent, other adult or older sibling. The case for such a ban is well worth

#### Partnership in Antarctica

From Mr Julian Amery, MP for Brighton Pavilion (Conservative) Sir, Your leading article "South Atlantic Partners" (December 10)

makes the constructive suggestion that the Falklands and their dependencies could, without any change of sovereignty, be turned into an Anglo-Argentine base for Antarctic exploration and development. But should you not take the proposal further?

Chile, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand also have claims on the Antarctic coordinant and obvious interests due to geographical prox-

Could we not develop your concept to include these other interested parties, perhaps at the joint invitation of Britain and Argentina? Other signatories of the Antarctic Treaty might also like to take part.

Once the new airfield on the Falklands is fully developed and the harbour facilities improved, the islands might well prove to be the most convenient base available for Antarctic exploration as well as the meeting ground on which cooperation might resolve existing differcnces between Britain and the Argentine and the Argentine and

The Antarctic continent is gene ally thought to be a prolongation of the Andes and the Southern African plateau. There is, therefore, a distinct possibility that the mineral wealth of both may exist under the permafrost. Discovering it and then extracting it would be a challenging task but no more than landing a man on the Moon. Yours sincerely.

JULIAN AMERY. 112 Ealon Square,SW1, December 13,

#### Examination results

From Professor Harvey Goldstein Sir, The article by Ronald Butt (December 8) and your leader (December 1) on the exam results research of the National Council for Educational Standards (NCES) are critical of Department of Education and Science officials, but avoid the

The real research interest lies la whether the type of school anended (comprehensive, grammar or sec-ondary modern) affects the examination results of pupils with different individual characteristics and backgrounds. Io such analyses it is essential to allow for differences in individual achievement prior to secondary school entry to avoid the possibility that examination result differences are merely reflecting entry selection policies.

The NCES research used school average exam results rather than individual data and had no measures of achievement prior to entry. Such deficiencies make it markedly inferior to the recent National Children's Bureau (NCB) study of examination results which had intake measures on individual children and found few important school type differences.

The recently published crinicisms of the NCES research by officials at the DES, which now have been substantiated by analyses in Statistical Bulletio 16/83 (The Times, December 10) pointed out that the NCES had made inadequate allowances for social class in studying the variation in examination results between Local Education Authoritles. Because their measurements are at school or at LEA level only, however, neither the DES nor the NCES analyses can cootribute much of value to the debate over school type comparisons.

If further research is to be funded. then it would be more useful, and cheaper, to exploit the NCB data than to pursue the use of school examination results. Yours faithfully,

HARVEY GOLDSTEIN, Chairman, Department of Mathematics Statistics and Computing University of London Institute of Education 20 Bedford Way, WC1. December 12.

# Calke Abbey

From Mr 1St Bodfan Gruffydd Sir, What is "heritage landscape"? The Government is in a great muddle over this. Hitherio the Historic Buildings Council has collected information with a view to 'listing" historic gardens and parks, while the Countryside Commission dealt with more natural landscapes in national parks and areas of outstanding natural beauty. Gardens and parks are deliber-

ately designed and planned, whereas national parks and areas of outstanding oatural beauty cover the more natural parts of our countryside. The criteria for judgiog the two types are distinct and different. lo consideriog the Calke ambience, which is very much garden/park landscape, however, the Secretary of State appears to rely on advice of the Countryside Commission

The writer was sufficiently concemed to examine the problem carefully on the ground. He found unmistakable evidence of careful planoing in the disposition of woods and copses, shelter belts and tree clumps across the farmed land right to distant horizons, deliberately planned as extensions of the park design. In fact, the distant views are vital factors in the protection of the aesthetic of the park immediately surrounding the Abbey.

Nowbere in this beautiful, enclosed landscape is a jarring note to be seen - no pylons, no motorways, no factory farm buildings. Once allow this connected landscape out of the park ownership and there is no saying how soon the beauty and seclusion of this bit of Our

inheritance might be lost. The arbitrary delineation of the "heritage landscape" boundaries of

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Chilling prospect of a nuclear winter From Dr Norman Myers

Sir, I read with interest David Watt's comments on December 9 about the film The Day After, and his speculation on whether the scientific prognosis of a nuclear winter is correct. Having participated in the background research in the United States during the past several mooths, I do not agree that there are "many uncertainties in the hypothesis" that warrant "understandable caution".

Both the physical and biological, teams ran dozens of variations of their computerized models to check their findings, and they concluded that their analyses were reinforced time after time, with virtually no significant variations in the outcome. Whether we consider a 10,000-megaton or only a 1,000megaton war, the results produce a nuclear wioter. lo certain circum-stances a mere 100 megatons can trigger a similar phenomenon (Britain possesses more than 100

megatons). The papers, being published in the major American journal Science, have undergone unusually rigorous appraisal through extensive peer review. If one can be permitted the phrase, there is an "overkill" of supporting evidence to justify the findings. Several independent re-search efforts have come up with

To quote the summary of the biological paper, authored by 20 leading scientists from several countries, "It is clear that the ecosystem effects alone resulting from a large-scale thermonuclear war could be enough to destroy the current civilisation in at least the northern hemisphere . . . the combined intermediate and longterm effects of ouclear war suggest that eventually there might be no humao survivors in the nonhern hemisphere."

All this reitcrates a key question. Can government leaders afford to contine with their present response to the nuclear threat, with the new risks of a nuclear winter - precisely at a time when more weapoos are being deployed? Or should they not rather consider the alternative risks of taking a closer look at whatever measures are necessary to throw the

fair to the Department of the Environment. Regrettably the Treasury has not accorded public-sector housing investment, whether dn new dwelliogs or improvements,

dispose of assets, council bouses or land, pointing out that the more they sell the more they have to spend oo additional investment. Some councils have significantly by the use of capital receipts in this

By contrast, a policy of lioking iocreased asset sales with increased investment in those facilities which only the public sector can provide would seem logical to the fioancial community and would instil greater confidence in the Government's handling of the economy. Yours sincerely,

CHARLES WILLIAMS. National Councit of Building Material Producers, 33 Alfred Place, WC1. December 8.

Calke Park do more than threaten its viability for, irooically, the inclusion of the (excluded) rented land would go some way to providing necessary endowment for the National Trust. Yours faithfully. . St BODFAN GRUFFYDD.

Black Hill, Jubilec Drive, Malvern. Worcestershire. December 7.

#### From Lord Perth Sir. The correspondence to save

Calke Abbey and the adjournment debate in the Commons on December 6 all point to the same conclusion: time is oeeded to work oul a new scheme to preserve the house, its contents and park. And the tax bill is mounting up for the Harpur-Crewe trustees at around £1,300 a day. Both trustees and Government

are in a way to blame, for both took about a year to reach decisions. Will the Government consider forgoing this sum for, say, four months with a deadline date? By this date a new scheme must be hammered out by one and all including the concerned.

Government. In the words of the Under-Secretary of State for the Environ-The Government are prepared and willing to listen to and consider positive suggestions".

The deadline should stimulate the uick finding of a scheme to save Calke for future generations, Waiving of interest meantime could be counted as part of the limited public assistance already offered. Yours truly.

PERTH, House of Lords. December 8.

# nuclear arms race into reverse?

Perhaps the prospect of a nuclear winter will help us to achieve at least a nuclear freeze. Yours faithfully NORMAN MYERS.

Upper Meadow, Old Road, Headington, Oxford. December 13.

From Professor Sir Frederick

Warner, FRS Sir, David Watt (December 9) has written about the aftermath of nuclear war and Carl Sagan's comment that the prospect of a "nuclear winter" frightens bim more than The Day After.

A committee of the International Council of Scientific Unions is engaged in a study of this and longer-

term effects than the immediate deaths following a nuclear exchange. A workshop in Stackholm during November decided to re-examine the scenarios for different scales of nuclear exchange and conduct further research in several countries on atmospheric chemistry, climate change and biological effects. The next, on agriculture, will be in Delhi from February 9 to 11, 1984, and the

one after in Leningrad io May. General planning is being done by a steering group of leading scientists from the USA, USSR, France, Sweden, India and Japan, uoder my chairmanship. The Royal Society has financed a research assistant to work with mc at the University of Essex, which has provided accommodation.

So far we have not had the "dog fight" nor the pause expected by David Watt. We have had to work hard to provide the discussion papers which scientists oeed for useful discussions and to start by concentrating limited resources on facts which can be agreed or further explored by experts. Yours faithfully,

NED WARNER, Treasurer. Scientific Comminee on Problems of the Environment, As from; Chemistry Department, Essex University, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex. December 9.

Archive uncertainty

Sir, Mr Murray (December 6) does well to draw the attention of your readers to the fate of the Greater

London Record Office, whatever that fate may be So far not a

whisper has emerged from Whitehall

to expand upon the "special provisioos" so coyly promised in the White Paper, Streamlining the

It is to be earnestly hoped that,

whatever plans may emerge for the administration of GLRO, they will

history of London, so assiduously

built up over three quarters of a century. Such a scattering could only

be considered by anyone with a

modicum of interest in the history of

the capital as an act of the grossest

specifically and wholly devoted to

the safe-keeping of its written

At the same time, historians of

English provincial history would be advised to consider the effect of the

Government's proposals on archive

services within the metropolitan

counties. Here the Govenment'a thoughts on the future seem equally

vague, involving the devolution of

vandalism.

From Mr Victor Gray

#### Housing priority

From Mr Charles Williams

Sir, Jamie Stevenson (Whitehall Notebook, December 7) is less than

the priority it deserves.

Patrick Jenkin and his predecessors at the DoE have, however, consistently encouraged councils to

Unfortunately the Government does not apply to its own transactions the same policy as it applies to local authorities. The Chancellor made it clear in his autumn statement that the Government will be increasing significantly the sale of assets, mainly shares io state' corporations.

Such sales of assets will not in any way be linked to increased investment; indeed the main use to which this finance will be put appears to be social security. Asset sales no longer are received as rapturously in the City as ooce they were; they are increasingly seen as a way of massaging the public-sector borrowing requirement.

collections to one of the districts and calling for co-operative ventures between district councils. other areas of cultural service highlighted in your columns over

recent weeks, are to be dragged by the scruff of their neck and squeezed into the new pattern. So be it. But let no one pretend that what comes out at the end of the day will be better or even as good as present arrangements; or that an equivalent service will be provided more cheaply; or that the arrangement will be more rational. Certainly, let no one suggest that it is streamlining! Yours sincerely, VICTOR GRAY,

Association of County Archivists, As from: Essex Record Office, County Hall, Chelmsford, Essex. December 8.

# Law of Sea Treaty

From Mr Peter Farr

of British Shipping (November 16)? This country, with a handful of others, hesitates to sign the Law of the Sea Treaty because of the (admitted) imperfections of the clauses governing seabed mining.

arguments for proceeding with the mining of deep-sea nodules at any time in this century are looking less and less plausible, however optimistic a view is taken of the prospects for general economic recovery. During the last few years, the

trial metals (the quantity needed for each unit of GDP) has fallen sharply. Some decline has historically happened in advanced economies and mature markets; the recent fall has, however, gooe From Mr P. J. Bourke further and more quickly than the historical trend.

metals must be lowered. We have in fact already seen this

months ago, world demand for crude steel to 1990 was confidently forecast to be around 1,000 million toones; few authorities now expect it to be much over 800 millioo. Forecasts for consumption of December 12

#### State subsidies for the arts

From Mr Robert Jackson, MP for

Wantage (Conservative) Sir, Frank Johnson (December 13) quotes Anthony Beaumont-Dark, MP, asking the familiar question about the arts, "Why is it so essential to civilization for the taxpayer to subsidize activities which are so unpopular with the majority of the public?" Let me try to answer.

From an economic point of view the live performing arts are an activity in which technology is static, so that labour productivity cannot be improved in line with advances in the surrounding economy. It takes just as long, and requires exactly the same equipment and labour, to play a Beethoven symphony today as it did when the work was first performed in 1810. But because the wages paid to noo-volunteer musicians inevitably re-flect the higher wage levels made possible since that nime by technical progress elsewhere in the economy. activities which may have been viable io the market place in 1810 have long since ceased to be so (and even at that time they enjoyed

special patronage).

Nevertheless, while the technology of performance has stood still, there has been great technical progress in the communication of performance: radio, gramophooe records, television, video. The economic value to Britaio of these technologies is indisputable: exports of films and televisioo programmes in 1981 were worth £144m and in the same year earned £30m. There are also the earnings from tourism. Excellence in the live performing arts is essential to the vitality of

these industries. However, because of economic specialization there is no inbuilt mechanism, with the ootable excep-tion of the BBC, by which profits earned by communication are directed to nourishing the culture of performance upon which those profits depend. This is why live performance has come to rely on the transfer through state subsidy of a small portion of the taxes levied oo

those profits. Of course we have to make decisions, which will be essentially arbitrary, about how much to spend on state subsidies to the arts, just as Prince Esterhazy bad to allocate resources between his Kappellmeistcr and his kitchen. But io a truly educated society it would not be necessary to deploy the sort of means/eods argument of this letter to justify support for activities which are an end in themselves and to the enhancement of the life of all they touch. Yours faithfully,

ROBERT JACKSON, louse of Commons. December 15.

# **Prosecution by stores**

involve no thought of dismembering the tremendously rich and impor-From Mr Recorder C. W. L. Jervis tant collection or archives for the Sir, Parliament can so easily create the simple and absolute (i.e., without proof of dishonesty) offence of taking goods from a shop without payment and make it triable only before magistrates. If such an offeoce is allowed to ruo side by side with theft, the prosecutor has a It is surely unthinkable that London should have no repository

The real thieves are charged with theft the absent-minded old folk with the lesser offence to which they can plead guilty without fear of social disgrace and take care not to do it again. Much distress and public expense will thereby be saved. Yours faithfully

C. W. L. JERVIS, Rös-Vale, Si Buryan, Cornwali. December 9.

# It does seem that archives, like Missing the bus

From Mrs Fiona E. Hamilton Sir, May I suggest that a possible solution to the plight of the villagers of Swanton Morley (report, December 9) might be the operation of a

route taxi system? As practised in some parts of the West Indies, this consists of a number of taxis licensed to operate on certain agreed routes, with prefixed fares per seat per journey. In this way the cost per person is kept down to a reasonable level and the taxi drivers can be expected to be quick to establish when there is the greatest demand. Yours faithfully,

FIONA E. HAMILTON. 6 Redburn Street, SW3. December 9.

Sir, May I underline the argument of the President of the General Council

The economic and commercial

intensity-of-use of the basic indus-

The inevitable coosequence of this is that forecasts of demand for

in the case of steel. As recently as 18

manganese (which is wholly dependent on crude steel output) must

consequently be lowered. The economics of nodule mining depend on the existence of secure markets for all three major nodule constituents - cobalt, nickel and manganese. If demand for any one of them is as insecure as is that for manganese the economic case for nodulc mining fails. Is it not therefore time for this country to cease obstructing the interests of those - such as the shipowners - for whom the Law of the Sea Treaty is of immediate and pressing concern? Yours faithfully,

PETER FARR, O.W. Roskill Industrial Consultants, 2 Clapham Road, SW9. November 21.

# A fine point

Sir, Are not an injunction to stop violent protest by CND at Greenham Common, and fines if they do oot, as justified and necessary as those against the NGA at Warrington?

Yours faithfully, P. J. BOURKE, Waverley, Pickler's Hill, Abingdon. Oxfordshire

# COURT AND SOCIAL

# COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 15: The Hon S. Joyal (Secretary of State, Canada) had the honour of being received by The Queen this morning. His Excellency Monsieur Ely

Ould Allaf was received in audicoce by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipolentiary from the Islamie Republic of Mauritania to the Court of St James's. His Excellency was accompagied blic of Mauritania to the Court

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by the following member of the Embassy, who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Monsieur Sid'El Mebdi (Secood Councellor, Chief of Protocol). Madame Allaf had the honour of

Sir Antony Acland (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty was present, and the Gentlemeo of the Household in

Crown in Chancery and Permaneot Secretary, Lord Chancellor's De-partment) had the honour of being parament) had the honour of being received by The Queen.

His Excellency the Hon Sir Victor Garland and Lady Garland were received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upoo His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for Australia in London.

The Queen this afternoon visited Her Majesty's Customs and Excise at King's Beam House, Mark Lane, London, EC3.

Having been received by the Chairman of the Board of Customs and Excise (Mr A. M. Fraser), Her Majesty toured the Tercentary Exhibition and met members of the

staff.
Lady Susan Hussey, Mr Robert
Fellowes and Lieutenant-Colonel
Blair Stewart-Wilsoo were to
attendance.

# Memorial services

Sir Joho and Lady Fisher
The Duke of Edinburgh, Permanent
Master of the Shipwrights' Company, was represented by the Prime
Warden. Sir Charles Alexander, at a
memorial service for Sir Joho and
Lady Fisher held yesterday at St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall. The Rev Basil Watson officiated. Mr R. W. Tookey, President of the General Council of British Shlpping, and Mr David Clarabut read the lessons. Mr William Eccles, Chairman and Chief Executive of James Fisher and Sons, gave an address and Miss Lilli Palmer paid a tribute, Among others present were:

# Latest wills

Lieutenant-Colonel . Sir Ernest Edward De Wioton Wills, 4tb Bt, of Mount Prosperous, Hungerford, Berkshire, left estate valued at £2.134.017 net. He left his property to his wife and issue. Mrs Elizabeth Jowett, of Wollaton Park, Nottingham, left estate valued at £281,118 oet. After various bequests she left the residue equally between the British Heart Foundation. Royal Midland Institution

for the Blind, Nottingham, Leu-kaemia Research Fund and the People's Dispensary for Sick Other estates include (net, before tax paid): Jenkins Sarah Blodwen, of Stowe,

Buckinghai £216.336. Smith Mr Lynn, of Havering-atte-Bower, London, £304,438.

Talbot Mr Mervyn, of Stanmo London, £290,870.

[ADVERTISEMENT]

# Must the lights stay dim for Elsie this Christmas

She's a plucky 81 year-old, but this Christmas she faces what will seem "the loneliest day of her life". No family, because she has none left. And no-one to visit her. All the happy gatherings will be in other people's homes, and the lights in other windows. Christmas seems a bleak day when you're lonely and forgotten in a chilly room.

Help us change that. With another Day Centre that brings old people the good companionship and friendly help of a place where they can meet every day of the year.

£5 will bring practical help to a lonely old person

£25 will assist a Day Centre £100 will help put a Minibus on the road

£100 will bring Christmas joy to many who would otherwise have noth-

#### CHRISTMAS IS A TIME FOR SHARING AND CARING.

Please give generously this Christmas and, if you can manage it - send early please, because your donation will be put to use immediately.

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Please let us know if you would like your gift used for a particular purpose.

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Wigton Station in the Royal Train this morning and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cumbria (Six Charles Graham, Bt).

KENSINGTON PALACE December 15: The Prince of Wales

duction.

Cellulose Film Plant and was

Sister Philomena).
The Duke of Edinburgh this

afternous attended a Service in

Phillips, President of the Save the Children Fund, this afternoon, on

this morning.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Sir Charles Alexand-

er (Prime Warden of the Worship-

ful Company of Shipwrights) at the

Memorial Service for Sir John Fisher which was held at St Lawreoce Jewry-next-Guildhall this

By command of the Oueen, the

Baroness Trumpington, 1Baroness

in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this

Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon opon the departure of the President of the Lebanese Republic

The Queen was represented hy

Barooess Trumpington at a memorial service for Sir Tom Hickin-botham beld yesterday io the Chapel of St Michael and St George.

St Paul's Cathedral, The Dean of St

Philip Buckler. Canon Graham Routledge read the lesson and Lieutenant-Colonel C. J. Hickin-

Paul's officiated, assisted by the Rev

Sir Tom Hickinbotham

December 15: The Prince of Wales His Royal Highness then visited the premises of British Sidac Ltd this evening gave n reception at Kensington Palace in aid of The (Managing Director, Mr W. Lowth-er) and, after opening the Sales and Marketing Office Block, toured the Prince of Wales's Award for Industrial Innovation and Pro-

contention of the content of the con Westbury and District Hospital and later opened Laverton Almshouses, Westbury, Wiltshire.

anchorn attended in Service in Carlisle Cathedral in aid of the Restoration Appeal and was received by the Dean (the Very Reverend J. H. Churchill). His Highness travelled to an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

#### His Royal Highness later opened the Kinmont Bara senior citizens meeting place to Carlisle. Lieutenant-Commander Andrew YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

December 15: The Duke of Kent, a Wynn, RN was in attendance.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Trustee of The Duke of Edinhurgh's Commonwealth Study Conference (UK Fund), this morning attended a Meeting of the Trustees which was held at 18 Welbeck Way, Londoo

behalf of the Fund, accepted a motor car from the Ford Motor Company at the Save the Children Fund Headquarters, Mary Datche-lor House, London, SES. Licutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs THATCHED HOUSE LODGE December 15: Princess Alexaodra, Patroo, this afternoon visited St Christopher's Hospice, Sydenham, was in attendance.

The Queen was represented by the Queen was represented by the Baroness Trumpington (Baron-ess in Waitiog) at the Memorial Service for Sir Tom Hickinbotham (formerly Governor and Com-maoder-in-Chief of Adeo) which was held in the Chapel of St Michael and St George, St. Paul's Cathedral London SE26.

Lady Nicholas Gordon Lennox was in attendance.

to the evening. Her Royal Highness and the Hoo Angus Ogilvy were present at the Olympia toternational Show Jumping

The Princess of Wales will open the new Extra Care Centre at Abbeyfield Downing House, Withington, Manchester, on December 20. The Duchess of Kent will visit the Norwich Institution for the Blind Norwich on January 10.

A memorial service for the Hoo Denis Berry will be held today at 11.30 at the Grand Priory Church, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell

# Luncheon

Royal College of Surgeons of England Professor Geoffrey Slaney, President of surgeons of England, yesterday entertained at luncheon at the college Sir Austin Bide, Mr James G. Gulliver, Mr Robert Maxwell and Professor Harold Ellis.

#### **Dinners**

HM Government Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a dinner given at I Carlton Gardens in booour of the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany and Frau Ruhfus,

Lieutenant-Colonel C. J. Hickinbotham, nephew, gave an address.
The Sulian of Oman was represented by Brigadier J. T. W.
Landon, Others present included;
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Farringdon Ward Cluh beld a
dinner yesterday in the Great Hall,
St Bartholomew's Hospital, Mr
Anthony Eskenzi, president, presided
accompanied by Mrs Eskenzi,
Among those present were
Lord Lloyd of kilpertan, QC, and Lady
Lloyd, Lady Greenway, Alderman Sur Peter
and Lady Gadaden, Alderman and Mrs
Christopher Walford, Mr Deputy and Mrs
Slanley Cohen, Mr Deputy and Mrs
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Mrs B Wilson-Pernberton, Mr and Mrs D L
Kenny and Mr and Mrs W R Linton. Farringdog Ward Clob

Major-General Sir roger 1994; and Larly Stimmings, Sir Charles Johnston, Mr Kelth Haskell (representing the Diplomatic Service), Mr A J V Arflur, Mr Joseph Rank, Mr R Leigh-Wood, Mr M C E Sharp, Miss I, Henderson unarton, London Clinki, Mr Michael J Wise weovelary, National: Association of British and Irish Millery, with Mr Philip Neill, Mr Ronald Daubeny, Mr Giles Daubeny, Mr Gles Daubeny, Mr

# Indo-British Association

The annual dinner of the Iodo-Britash Association was held yesterday at the Dorchester hotel. The guests were received by Mr and Mrs Swraj Paul and Mr Eldon Griffiths, MP, presided. The principal guests were:
The indian Minister of Law and Justice and
Mrs Kaushal, Mr Paul Channon, MP, and
Mrs Channon, Mr Michael Foot, MP, and
Mrs Foot. Mr Denis Howen, MP, Sr
William and Lady Heseltine, Mr and Mrs
William Sirs. Mr L K Jua and Mr and Mrs
Arun Nehru.

Honourable Society of the Knights of the Round Toble

Lord Marshall of Leeds presided for the Queensbarough dinner held on Tuesday, at the Atheneum. The occasion marked the founding of the occasion marked the founding of the society's Rugg Award for debating at The Leys School. Cambridge which was awarded to Toby Morse, who introduced a debate on the English Gentleman.

Sir Percy Rugg, vice-president of the society and a governor of The Leys School, was present as was and Miser H. M. C.

Leys School, was present as was Vice-Admiral Sir Ronald Brockvice-Admiral Sir Konald Brock-man, Mr Barry Fleet, master of studies, and other guests. Mr Neville Barton and Mr John Arthur Tedder were inducted as knights.

# University news

L H. Hillier, BSc. PhD(Lond), reader in chemistry, has been appointed to a personal chair in chemistry from December 1. chemistry from December 1.
C. C. Kiernan, BA(Nott). PhD-(Lond), deputy director of Thomas Coram Research Uoit, London University Institute of Education, to be director of the Hester Adrian Research Centre from a date to be

The oldest child in a family is the object of great attention and high expectation by its

parents. Hence the first born

hecomes "a self-critical perfec-

tionist who is most likely to succeed. Middle children, while the most popular in their school and neighbourhood,

"can feel neglected and em-

bark on an endless search for a

sense of belonging". The

pampered youngest child is tempremental, insecure and an

"engaging show-off".

Those stereotypes were assembled two years ago by Dr

Bradford Wilson, an American scientist, to describe ideas

which have been discussed for

many years by psychologists about how the position in a family shapes the character.

individual's career. Birth order

# The Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire who yesterday married Linda, Viscountess Bridport at

Basingstoke Register Office, Hampshire. The earl lives at Charlton Park, Malmsbury, Wiltshire and the bride's family home is at Nutley, Hampshire. It is the earl's third

The engagement is announced

between Peter Barrie, eldest son of Mr and Mrs P Fitzpatriek, of

Woking, Surrey, and Jacqueline Anne, eldest daughter of wing commander and Mrs J. R. Johnson, of Bielefeld and Rugeley, Stafford-

The engagement is annouoced

between Christopher Gavin Caird, son of Commander and Mrs Anthony Goodhart, of Chateauneuf

de Grasse, France, and Caterina

Anita Elena, daughter of Ammirag-lio di Squadra Grande Ufficiale Egidio and Signora Cioppa, of Cevoli, Italy.

Mr K. J. H. Gouk and Miss F. F. Harley The engagement is announced between Kenneth John Hunter,

between Kenneth John Hunter, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. C. Gouk, of Ringneill, Comber, co. Down, and Fiona Frances, daughter of Professor and Mrs J. M. G. Harley, Stand Lodge, 152, Malone Road, Belfast.

and Miss J. C. Tristram
The engagement is accounced between Charles Robert Kerruish,

soo of Canon and Mrs B. R. Howell

of Leamington Spx, and Jeonifer Claire, only daughter of Mr H. Tristram, of Hampstead, London, and Mrs E. M. Tristram, of Calerham, Surrey.

The engagement is announced between Keith, son of Mrs S. Warner and the late Mr G. L. Warner, of Finchley, London, and Emma, eldest daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. R. S. Besly, of Sellindge, Kent.

The engagement is announce

between Charles, youngest son of the late Mr R. J. Whiffio and Mrs G. C. Whiffin, of Minchead. Somerset,

and Genevieve, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Dominic King, of

Mr K. R. Warner rand Miss E. B. J. Besly

Mr.C. H. Whiffin

ond Miss G. M. King

Mr C. G. C. Goodhart and Signorina C. A. E. Cioppa

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Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr Malcolm Curtis to be general secretary of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals in July, 1984, in

Dr Oliver Nevitle to be principal of

the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art

next April, in succession to Mi Hugh Cruttwell, who is to retire.

Mr J. Nigel Naish to be a trustee of the Joseph Rowntree Memorial

Trust, in succession to Lord

Birthdays today

succession to Mr Elgar Bowling.

Mr P. B. Fitzpatrick and Miss J. A. Johnson

#### Marriages

Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire and Linda, Viscountess Bridgort
The marriage took place quietly on
December 15 at Nutley, near
Basingstoke, of the Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire and Linda, Viscountess Bridgort

Viscount Cross and Mrs P J Rossiter
The marriage has taken place
between Viscount Cross and Mrs P
J Rossiter.

Mr C M H Murray
and Zoë Viscouotess Hardinge
The marriage took place in Jersey
on December 13 between Mr
Christopher Murray of La Glinette,
St Aubin, and Zoë Viscountess
Hardings daughter of Senator H de Hardinge, daughter of Senator H de M Molson, of Montreal, Canada.

Mr A. C. Gilmour and Susan, Lady Chetwode The marriage of Mr Alexan Clement Gilmour and Susan, Lady Chet-wode took place at Chelsea Register Office on Thursday, December 15.

Mr P. A. J. Clarke and Miss B. B. Juhl

The marriage look place on Salurday, December 10, 1983 at Soborg Church, Copenhagen, Denmark, between Mr Paul Andrew Mrs Reginald F. Clarke, of Honk Heath, Woking. Surrey and Miss Birgittes Borchersen Jubl, youoger daughter of Fru Bente Juhl, of Soborg, Copenhagen.

Mr J. A. Moore-Gillon and Mrs S. Hall The marriage of Mr Joho A. Moore-Gilloo and Mrs Suzie Hall Ince

Keefe) took place oo Saturday, December 10, 1983. Mr D. F. J. Paterson

and Mrs J. Tung Donelly
The marriage took place quietly on
December 3 at St Joseph's Church,
Hongkong, between Mr David and Mrs Jayne Tung

# Forthcoming

Mr D. J. Farnham The engagement is announced between Daniel, son of Mr R. Farnham and Mrs D. Frampton, of 504 Dolphin Square, London, SWI. and Henrietta, daughter of Major R. E. Philips and Mrs Marigold Charrington, of Winchfield House, Winchfield, Hampshire,

Mr D. W. Livingstone ond Mrs J. M. H. Hart
The engagement is announced between David Livingstone, of 87. Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, and Jennifer Hart, of 2A, Control Place London SW3 Egerton Place. London, SW3.

Church news

Exercy to be team rector of Widecombe, Leusden and Princetown with Posibridge and Hibrary Chapets Mountaind team ministry) in the same diocese.

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# Mr M. S. Wittiams and Miss R. J. Manterfield

The engagement is announced between Mark Stephen, eldest on of Mr and Mrs M. Williams, of Sutton Coldfield, and Rosamund Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs K. C. Manierfield, of Buckhurst Hill,

Professor Sir Harold Bailey, 84: Mr N. C. Blamey. 69: Mr F. R. Brown, 72: Mr Arthur C. Clarke, 66: Judge Myrella Cohen. QC. 56: the Hon Peter Diekinson, 56: Major G. J. Graham-Green. 77: Sir Jasper Hollom. 66: Lord Margadale, 77: Mr J. H. F. Monahan, 71: Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Norris, 83: Air Chief Marshal Sir Hubert Paleh. 79: Sir Victor Prilechett, 83: Lieuteoani-General Sir David Scott-Barrett, 61: General Sir David Scott-Barrett, 61 Sir John Thompson. 76; Miss Jacqueline Thwaites, 52; Miss Liv Ullman, 45; Dr Jan van Loewen, 8 The Rev A S Hewison: permission to officiate, diocese of Exeter. The Rev R J Hill, curair of St Luke's, West Derby diocese of Liverpoot: to be strest-in-curair of St Michael's, Devonport, diocese of Exeter.

The Fow J Huichimon, priest-in-charge of Panghourne, diorces of Oxford: to be also priest-in-charge. Tidnarah and Suffauri. The Roy J D James, vicar of James's Clacton, diocese of Chelmsford: to be vica of Rowde, and rector of Poulshol, diocrese.

# Science report

# Dispelling myths about first-born children

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

theory makes an appealingly neat way to categorize human beings; it is like astrology, but with scientific trappings.

Psychological research is alleged to show that the "firstborn personality" produces a disproportionate number of astronauts, Nobel Prize winoers, prime ministers and presidents, or why presidential assassins are more often younger siblings.

In the same vein, the average first-born is said to have a higher IQ and does better at school than younger

brothers and sisters. However, a close scrutiny of other research over the past 30 years shows that entirely different interpretations are possible, and are the subject of a special report. The Myth of

the First Born, in the current issue of Science 83, the monthly periodical of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

It examines the conclusions of two psychiatrists from Switzerland who have analyzed 1,500 studies into the effects of the position of individuals in their family. Dr Cecile Ernst and Jules

Augst, of the University of Zurich, reach a simple judgment. Looking at the importance of position in the fomily together with other factors. they claim that the effects of hirth order falls somewhere between negligible and nonexistent.

The problem with research into birth order, in their opinion, is that it ignores many differences crucial

amnng parents and family conditions. For instance, in the United

States and most other industrial countries, parents of large families tend, on average, to have less money, less edu-cation, and lower IQs than parents of small families. A study comparing oldest chil-dren with fifth children, therefore, is inherently biased. The sample of first-borns in

any study is a cross-section of all social classes, hot a dispreportionate number of the fifth-borns come from "less privileged" homes. It is this disadvantage, not the younger hildren's position within the family, that best explains any disparities, they say.

Science 83, December.

# OBITUARY LORD AMULREE Medical care of old people.

died on December 15 at the age of 83, was a qualified doctor who took a special interest in the problems of old people, and was active on medical questions both in the House of Lords and

William Rasil Mackenzie was born on July 25. 1900, the only son of the 1st Baron Amulree and his wife Lilian. He was educated at Lancing and Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, and then went to University College Hospital, where he qualified in 1925. He worked as an assistant pathologist there and at the Royal Northern Hospital before joining the Ministry of Health as a medical officer in 1936.

It was in that capacity that he produced in 1939 an official report on the extent to which patients suffering from cancer received adequate treatment. He remained with the Ministry throughout the war, giving special attention to those in the shelters during the London

In 1949 he resigned In 1949 he resigned to long as possible.

become assistant physician in the was appointed KBE in the long as possible.

He was appointed KBE in 1977 for services to health and

Lord Amulree, KBE, who and he remained there until

He had succeeded his father in 1942, but whereas his father had been linked with the Labour Party and had served in Ramsay MacDonald's second government, Amulree was a Liberal. He played an active part in the House of Lords particularly on questions of health, and served as Liberal

Whip from 1955 to 1977. Outside the House of Lords he was active in a number of associations dealing with medical and social issues. At different times he was president of the London County division of the British Red Cross, the Association of Occupational Therapists, the Association of Welfare Officers, the British Geriatric Society and the Society for the Study of Medical

In 1951 he published Adding Life to Years, in which he wrote about the problems of old people, and emphasized in particular that they should be encouraged to lead independent lives in their own homes for as

He had served as a director of

the Development Corporation

of Wales, president of the

and chairman of the Non-

ferrous Metals Research Associ-

In the early 1960s, when

approaching retirement, his formidable energies were put at

the disposal of his alma mater,

and he played a prominent part;

was appointed to the Univer-sity's Council in 1963 and was

its chairman from 1969 to 1982.

Stanley Clotworthy was a modest but able and far-seeing

man. He advocated cooperation.

between science and industry many years before it became;

fashionabe to do so, and the:

university's close and successful

links with industry owe much to

both were students at the old.

He met his wife, Win, whilst

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University College Hospital, welfare. He was unmarried.

#### DRS. CLOTWORTHY

Dr Stanley Clotworthy, CBE, the critically important supply who died on December o at the age of 81, was Senior Pro-Chancellor of the University of leading rôle he played in the development of the aluminium the United King-Southampton, an appointment development of the aluminium he held from 1972, after a industry in the United Kingsuccessful career in the alu-dom, he was appointed CBE in minium industry during which 1959. he had been chairman of Alcan Industries Ltd and Alcan Aluminium (UK) Ltd.

He was born and educated in Aluminium Federation, presi-lampshire – at Peter Symonds deni of the Institute of Metals Hampshire - at Peter Symonds then University College, Sou-

thampton. He graduated BSc in 1921 and began a highly successful career in industry. After a student apprenticeship with B.T.H Ltd and a very brief spell with an electrical cable firm, he in the university's successful ioined the Northern Alu- Centenary Appeal in 1962. He joined the Northern Alu-minium Company in 1927. The Conservative Foreign and Commonwealth Council (formerly CCOC) held a Christmas soirce yesterday as a tribute to their That company became Alcan Industries Ltd and in due president, the Secretary of State for president, the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Lady Howe at 100 Park Lane (by courtesy of Mr Sydney Mason). The guests, who were received by Sir Geoffrey and Lady Hone Mr Tim Penton MP and course Stanley Clotworthy became managing director and

chairman. He retired in 1967 but became chairman of the holding company, Alcan Aluminium

Howe, Mr Tim Renton, MP, and Mrs Renton and Mrs Edward de la At the beginning of the war he had joined the Ministry of Aircraft Production, but in 1942 he returned to the aluminium

industry and became responsible for all its production lege; she survives him as do facilities and, particularly, for their son and daughter.

ation.

# MR THEODORE CROMBIE

A correspondent writes: The death occurred in Theodore Crombie, the art to the art magazine Apollo. A historian, at the age of 71. He tall, good-looking figure - the was an authority on Spanish very model of a British' Old Master paintings, especially diplomatist - Crombie was those of Velasquez and Goya, land was in demand as an authenticator and valuer of private collections. He was a trustee of the William De

Morgan Trust. Crombie, known to his friends as "Ted", was born on July 29, 1913, and educated at Harrow and at Magdalen College. Oxford. He took a post as a temporary Secretary in the British Embassy in Montevideo, where he met Elsie Gallaugher, a Uruguayan of English and Scots ancestry, whom he married in 1945. He was entirely self-taught in

art, from books, wide-ranging

travel and long visits to art galleries. But he became one of London on December 6 of the most frequent contributors; modest and extremely popular throughout the art world

At their home in Chelsea, hung with South American "colonial" paintings, he and his wife created the equivalent of a Parisian salon of the early nineteenth century. Literary figures and artists attended the Crombie soirées. Pianists of the stature of Alfred Brendel and Paul Coker practised and occasionally performed on Mrs Crombie's superb grand piano.

In the past year, Ted Crombie's health had been visibly declining. But to the end he remained a courteous and cheerful host.

# JANOS FLESCH

Janos Flesch, the Hungarian Pecs in Hungary. grandmaster was killed in a car accident with his wife Ildiko on December 10. Flesch, who was 50, was in this country, playing in the Ramsgate International thess Tournament.

Flesch became an international master in his early twenties and a grandmaster in 1978 when he won a strong international tournament at

He had a famous victory over Viktor Korchnoi in Belgrade in 1964, hut his chief claim to record for blindfold simultaneous chess when in 1960 he

played against 52 strong players without himself having sight of This year Batsford published his book, Planning in Chess.

# SIR ANTONY GUY ACLAND

Acland, 5th Baronet, who died on December 14, served in the Royal Artillery for 21 years from 1937, and then joined Saunders-Roe as a rocket engineer. The projects on which he worked included the Black Knight and Black Arrow research rockets. Acland, who was 67, laid the

foundation for his work on

Major Sir Antony Guy anti-aircraft defence, later becoming an instructor in gunnery and attending the Military College of Science. He retired in

Acland, who succeeded his father in 1978, married in 1939 Avriel Ann Wingfield-Stratford who died in 1943; they had a daughter. He then in 1944 married Margaret Joan Rooke. by whom he had a son and rockel development and trials daughter. Major Guy Acland, by specialising first in the RA in RA, succeeds to the title.

# DR R. SZYDLOWSKI

Polish theatre critic, translator and author, who was President of the International Theatre Critics' Association from 1969 the age of 65.

Even during the Second lheatre. After the German invasion of Poland he took refuge in the Soviet Union, but he then returned to Poland 10

Sir John Hedges, CBE, who died on December 14, was chairman of the Berkshire Area Health Authority from 1973 to

Colonel J. A. Sulivan, OBE, who died on November 21 at the age of 67, was a former General Manager of the Milford Haven Conservancy Board, and High Sheriff of Dyfed.

Dr Roman Szydlowski, the join a clandestine theatre group - another of whose members was Karol Wojtyla, later to become Pope John Paul II.

In more recent years Szyd-10 1975. has died in Warsaw at lowski wrote for Trybuna Ludu. and other Polish and foreign and edited the International World War he found a way of Theatre Yearbook, and served expressing his interest in the on the board of the World Encyclopedia of Contemporary Theatre. He took a particular interest in British and American

> Lady Heyworth, who died in Toronto on December 12, was the widow of the late Lord Heyworth, chairman of Unilever Ltd 1942-60. She was the former Lois Dunlop.

Mr Robert Newton, CMG, who died on December 10 st the age of 75, was Colonial Secretary in Mauritius until his retirement to 1961.

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# FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# Tight money rein could give Reagan rough ride

The White House view is that the American economy will graw about 4.5 per cent next year. This projection has still to be stamped by President Reagan who will release it and other estimates in his 1985 budget message to Congress early in February. Administration economists working no the budget are convinced that this rate of growth can be achieved provided the US Federal Reserve Board. does nnt keep mnney growth nn too ught a reio. Their fears are not withnut fnundation. The influential Mr Henry Kaufman of Salomon Brothers predicted yesterday that the Federal Reserve would move quickly in 1984 to lighten monetary policy. This will result, in his opinion, in a slowing of economic growth until late 1984 and an erratic rise to US interest

For several weeks senior Administration officials have expressed fears that the Fed may already have tightened policy too much in its effort to prevent a rekiodling of inflation. They have warned the White House that because of the considerable lenght of time the economy needs to respond tht he central hank's actinns a sharp slnwdnwn could become apparent in November, just two weeks before the presidential elections, when figures are released for the quarter ending September 30.

Mr Donald Regan, the US Treasury Secretary, reflected these fears in a speech this week at the Washington Press Club, in which he said: "The Fed waots in cnnl this ecnoomy before it overheats and we get inflatinn back. They bave been tightening for the last six months. My concern is that they not overdo it."

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The Administration economists are also reported to have forecast a huge federal budget deficit in the neighbourhood of \$200 billion. The prospect of a series of mammnth budget deficits is nne reason why Mr Kaufman is lnoking for a rise in interset rates. He has lent his vnice to calls for action to reduce the deficit. President Reagan, hnwever, has ruled out a significant tax increase in his next budget. He said yesterday that he did not intend to raise taxes in 1984 but he left the door open for some sort of a "tax package" in

Although both the president and Administration economists have played down the importance of Federal budget deficits, they were singled out specifically by M Jacques De Larosière, head of the International Monetary Fund, in a speech in Chicago yesterday. M De Larosière said a primary aim of the IMF in the coming year would be to force member nations to place special emphasis in reducing fiscal deficits which threaten to "crowd out" private investors just as the global recovery gathers momentum.

That shoud please Mrs Thatcher.

#### Stalemate at the Savoy

Trusthouse Forte went to great lengths yesterday to emphasize that it was not its current intentinn to make a further offer for Savoy Hntel. This rider came after THF, in agreement with the Takeover from the investment arm of S G Warburg. THF's merchaot bank, a further 1.137

million Savny A shares. The deal was struck nn Friday and most of it was executed nutside the market THF would nnt reveal the price.

The additional shares raise THF's interest in the Savny equity to 69 per cent. The number of votes it has rises from 40.2 per cent at 42.3 per ceot.

Savny Hntel's two-tier equity structure leaves THF in a unique position: two-thirds of Savny profits and dividends fall to THF, but control still rests with Sir Hugh Winniner and the Savny board whn would prefer Lord Forte to fuld up his tent and leave their gate. In March twn years ago Lord Fnrte. (then Sir Charles) bid £58m and then £67m for Savny Hntel the company also owns the Connaught, Claridge's and the Berkeley - but the citadel did not fall. Nor will it as long as the B shares, which make up a small proportion of the share capital hut a large part of the voting power (the A shares have a tenth of a vote whereas every five B shares carry 10 votes) remain in firm and friendly hands. The most important of these belong to Dame Bridget D'Oly Carte, but Lady Ellerman's building is the critical nne. If Lord Furie could charm hers from her, he could be within an ace of winning the game.

Lord Firste appears to be as determined as ever to own Savny Hntel but he has admitted that the present situation cannot continue indefinitely. It is a costly stalemate for THF and frustrating for the Savny. The good sn far that has enme nut of the elash is a much more determined and commercially successful Savoy man-

#### Invisibles: the unauthorized text

Twn versinns of a Department of Trade and Industry-sponsored report. Success in Invisibles, will be published today. The first, about 25 pages long, comes from the DTI itself. The second, from the author, Mr Andrew Tessler, is three times as lnng and contains criticisms that do not appear in the official text.

The report deals with all invisibles but it concentrates on the most dynamic sector of all: the professions - consulting engineers, architects, management consultancies, surveyors, lawyers. Their overseas earnings have increased twentyfold in just over 10 years and are now worth £1 billion a year. At the present rate of growth, they would be worth £2 billion in six years.

The chances of that happening, Mr Tessler argues, are being diminished by the Government itself through the tax system.

Firms largely made up of partners are taxed nn a personal basis. Nationalized industries, which have developed their own agencies are alleged to be under-cutting private sector firms by unfair means.

Mr Tessler found that British partnerships which find it vertually impossible to raise venture capital have to spend between £60,000 and £80,000 each time they want to hid for a new contract overseas. These down-payments, without any guarantee of success or return, have to Panel, had disclosed that it had bought, be met out of taxed income. He cites instances where tax is levied twice on the same earnings.

# New Argentine government calls for debt moratorium

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over the exact nature of the

request.
Reports from Buenos Aires said that Argentina wanted a six-month delay on payments on its \$40 billion external debt. But bankers in London suggested that a 90-day moratorium on principle payments was more likely.

Bankers interpreted the action of the civilian government, which formally assumed power only on Saturday, as a prelude to a new round of debtescheduling negotiations on which the new ministers wanted to stamp their mark.

London banking sources said that Argentina would want to defer signing public-sector debt-rescheduling agreements nego-sign.

Argentina's new Government trated by the previous govern-has asked its commercial bank ment. It was likely to press for creditors for a moratorium on more favourable terms on the debt payments, it emerged refinancing of \$4 billion to \$5 yesterday. However, there was billion of public-sector debt confusion in banking circles maturities due in 1984 and

> Senor Bernardo Grispun. Economy Minister, is reported to have said in Buenos Aris yesterday that Argentina would postpone any new payments on its foreign debt nntil June 30, 1984. By that date, the country hoped to have completed reschedulings for 1984

> Although debt negotiation with the Argentinians have caused considerable problems for the banks over the past year, bankers are resonable relaxed with the civilian government Indeed, the return to civilian rule has been seen as a hopeful

But the road to stability has only just begun. The government must move quicky to restore order to a chaotic economy plagued not only by a big foreign debt but also by a lack of domestic spending priorities and by hidden costs from arms purchases made by the former military junta.

This was the assessment of senior US officials who returned this week from the inauguration ceremonies in Buenos Aires with a cautiously optimistic view of what lies ahead for President Raul Alfonsin's government. US officials said that they

were impressed by the his seasoned economic team and by his strong political commitment to a tough economic austerity programme disigned to halve the buge deficit, estimated at 14 per cent of the country's gross domestic product.

by about 25p early in the day, gifts closed 12p up on the strength of sterling. The pound itself gained 55 points against the dollar at \$1.4225. government according to Mr McNamar will be to improve relations with commercial banks, which hold the bulk of its \$40 billion debt, and to put in place an economic programme would be acceptable to gramme would be acceptance to the International Monetary

This would involve settle-ment, through either legislation or court action, of a series of difficult legal questions which poisoned Argentina's relations with its foreign debtors during the Falklands war, Mr McNa-

It appears that the new government would need short-term financial help of only \$3 billion in new commercial funds in order to get the economy back on its feet before undertaking a full-scale restructuring of its outstanding foreign debt, he said.

**Sterling** 

recovers

to \$1.42

Sterling clawed back some

ground on the foreign exchanges

yesterday as further beavy

intervention by the West German central band helped to

Speculation of higher British

interest rates also helped the pound - although there is no

indication that the authorities

are contemplating a rise — as did the previous day's news that BNOC has proposed no change in its North Sea oil prices for

The pound closed up 55

points against the dollar at \$1,4225 and firmed against

other leading currencies. It rose by 13 pfennigs against the Deutschemark to DM 3.94 and

its trade-weighted value against

the first quarter of next year.

restrain the dollar.

# op a firm performance, despite a weak opening on Wall Street. It closed 1.7 up at 752.8 Market report, page 18 STOCK EXCHANGES

FT index: 752.8 up 1.7 FT Gilts: 82.26 down 0.04 FT AB Share: 463.65 up 0.36 Bargains: 19,828
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Index:95.17 down 0.17
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#### **CURRENCIES**

**LONDON CLOSE** Sterling \$1,4225 up 55pts Index 82.0 up 0.2 DM 3.9400 up 0.0175

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#### INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rata 91/2 Discount market loans week fixed 8/8 3 month interbank 9,4-9,8

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London fixed (per ounce): am \$388.60 pm \$388.75 close \$388.75-389.50 (£273.50-New York latest: \$381.75 Krugerrand\* (per coln): \$400.50-402.00 (£281.75-282.75) \$91.00-92.00 (£64.00-64.75)

# Industry set to invest more

Government hopes that higher investment will help to keep the economy moving ahead as the impetus from consumer

The DTI survey is considerably more optimistic than the predictions of the Confederation of British Industry and is the economy moving ahead as the impetus from consumer spending slackens were boosted yesterday by the latest survey of investment intentions by the Department of Trade and Industry.
This shows that industry

plans to step up investment by about 7 per cent in 1984 with an even sharper rise by the manufacturing sector. In manufacturing, capital spending, including investment financed through leasing, is expected to show a 9 per cent volume rise in

It will be particularly welcome to the Government because recent figures have shown manufacturing pro-duction remaining flat and third-quarter capital spending figures issued yesterday disclose a fall of mre than I per cent in manufacturing investment in the latest six months compared with six months earlier.

In most other areas of the

world, Distillers has done no worse than the industry as a

whole and, in some markets, notably the United States, it

The strength of the dollar has had a dramauc impact on the

profitability of exports to the US. Profits are said to be about

£5m higher than they would

have been had last year's exchange rates ruled at the end

claims to has done better.

The DTI survey also suggests that there will be a further, though smaller, increase in the volume of investment in 1985. However, the latest cylical

indicators for the economy published yesterday by the Central Statistical Office give no firm indication that the recovery is likely to gather pace.

Between July and October, the longer leading index, which s supposed to chart movements in the economy 12 months ahead, showed a decline. Incomplete information for November suggests a slight rise

# Surprise £15m fall in Distillers profits

The Distillers Company, the buoyant markets such as Venescotch whisky group, yesterday zuela and Mexico. sprung a surprise on the City by announcing sharply lower halfyear profits. Pretax profits in the six months to the end of September

fell from £80.2m to £64.9m, on sales £8.3m higher at £493m. The company said last July that its profits would fall this year, but nobody foresaw the

scale of the downturn, The profits were struck after charges of £4.3m for redundancy and closure costs. The chairman, Mr John

Connell, said that trading profits in the second half were unlikely to compare favourably with the strong performance of

The company's share price fell 12p to 218p after news no the results, wiping £44m off the group's stock market value. Mr Robert Temple, a Distil-

lers' director, cited weak demand for whisky in the Latin American and Middle East markets as the main reason for the fall in profits The volume of sales to parts of these markets has as much halved so far this year. The effect of this on profits has been

severe, since it was very high-margin de-luxe whiskies that

tended to sell best in the once

The group gave a cautious indication that the worse may now be over for the Scotch industry. Recent reports from a number of markets suggest that the decline in consumer de-mand is levelling off and the company is boping for a gradual recovery next year.
In contrast to the poor

performance from whisky, the group's much smaller white spirits business improved trading profits, belped by a big rise in exports of Tanqueray gin to the US. The product is now challenging Beafeater as the top selling imported gin in the US. United Glass, the group's 50-

per-cent-owned glass container manufacturing company, reported a £4m loss after provid-ing for rationalization costs.

# **London Brick** in £8m deals London Brick is buying two small regional brickmakers for

£8.25m in line with its policy of trying to build a fifth force in the non-fletton facing brick market. The company has a monopoly of fletton brick making, but has only a small share of the market for other

It is paying £6.25m in cash for the Miltoo Hall Brick Company, a subsidiary of the Southend Estates property group. Milton is a leading producer of "London stock bricks".

It is also paying £2m, mainly in shares, for Claughton Manor Brick, a leading manufacturer in North-west England of frost

#### a basket of currencies finished the day up 0.2 at 81,0. Dealers believe the buge dollar sales by the German

anthorities to protect their currency will do little to change the underlying strength of the dollar, hut thry are nevertheless, nervous of being caught out.
The dollar closed in London yesterday only 20 points higher against the mark at DM2.7670.

The German central bank does not disclose the extent of its intervention to the open market, but it is believed to have spent well over \$500m in the past two days or so in trying to check the dollar.

# \*Excludes VAT

Interim dividend increased by 15%

	Unandited half year 30.10.83	Unaudited half year 31.10.82 £m	Audited year to 1.5.83 £m
Turnover	348.0	319.4	<u>641.8</u>
Operating profit	35.3	28.6	52.0
Pre-tax profit	31.6	22.5	41.1
Dividend per share	1.73p	1.50p	4.66p
Earnings per share	<u>7.7</u> p	4.8p	_9.4p

Extracts from the Directors' Interim Statement:

\* The Company has enjoyed a successful six months' trading

★ Turnover rose by 9%

★ Pre-tax profit increased by 40%

★ Beer sales helped by good summer . . . canned beer business continued to grow

★ Thistle Hotels operating profit up 90%

★ Borrowings continued to fall on rising investment programme

Copies of the full Interim Report may be obtained from the Secretary, Scottish & Newcastle Breweries plc, Abbey Brewery, Holyrood Road, Edinburgh EH8 8YS. Telephone: 031-556 2591



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# **NEWS IN BRIEF** Request by

# Allianz rejected

Eagle Star has given a final rejection to requests from Allianz Versieherungs, the West German insurance group, for further information about its business. Allianz had said that failure in supply the infor-mation could result in its offering Eagle Star sharebolders a lower price for their shares.

But Eagle Star's chairman, Sir Denis Mountain has declined to disclose details of the com pany's 1984 budget, saying i was impossible to quantify the effect of a change of control on the group's business and that provision of the figures could lead to them being treated with a degree of accuracy that would be inappropriate.

• The pay of Mr Michael Hollingbery, the chairman and chief executive of Comet Group, the electrical retailer, increased from £72,000 m £122,000, excluding pension contributions, last year. The salary of the unnamed highest paid director increased from £83,000 to £194,000. The increases follow last year's record profits of £19.5m.

• Unigate's profits increased from £15.3m to a record £23.6m in the first half of the year nn a turnover up from £787m to £855m. The interim dividend has been increased from 2.5p to hands.

2.75p. Investors' Notebook, page 19

Simulation, Rediffusion owned by British Electric Traction, yesterday announced its first big contract with British Airways for a full flight simulator for its new Boeing 737s. The £4.5m order was the first contract won by the British company from BA in several years, and came only after it dislodged a Canadian rival during several months of

# WALL STREET

# Losses increase

New York (AP-Dow Jones) Stock Exchange yesterday.
The Dow Jones Industrial

early trading on the New York

Average was down by more than 6 points to 1,240 and the Transportation Average had fallen by about 5 points to 589. General Motors fell 1/2 to 731/4, Honeywell was off 1/2 at 1341/4, Texas Oil down 1/2 at 421/2, Getty Oil up 1% to 78%. Exxon % lower at 37%. International Business Machines off % at 1201/2 and Union Carbide unchanged at 621/2.

# Reed questions bid rebuff

Reed Stenhouse has told in a document despatched hareholders in Stenhouse yesterday to ask what advice sharebolders in Stenhouse Holdings to ask their board and its financial advisers why they have rejected Reed's bid terms when they said during nego-riations that they were "recommendable".

The suggestion by Reed plays on the uncertainties within the Stenhouse board which culmi-Bert Houghton, a former chair-man, last week because he accepted.

nated in the resignation of Mr believed the terms should be Reed also tells shareholders

was given to the board by Noble Grossart, the merchant bank. Noble is 20 per cent owned by Stenhouse and is its long-term adviser. But Stenhouse is currently using J. Henry Schroder Wragg's services.
Reed, a Canadian insurance

broker, has bid £53m for Stenhouse, the Glasgow-based broker

Yesterday Schroder said the offer could not be recommended because negotiations

"never got to terms

# Private producers attack Minister

Steel sell-off 'going too slowly' By Edward Townsend

Industrial Correspondent Mr Norman Lamont, Minister of State for Industry, yesterday clashed with Britian's private sector steel industry nver allegations that the Government was dragging its feet over the promised privatization of the British Steel Corporation.

Mr Lamont was criticized at the annual lunch of the British Independent Steel Producers' Association by the president, Mr Peter Lee. Mr Lee said that apart from some welcome exceptions, the government had made little progress in returning the steel industry to private

He said that despite the and efficient steel-producing industry, independent of public subsidy, was as vital as ever.
"We believe that the failure of the Government to ensure that priority was being given to its stated policy has made the task more difficult and progress has

been unnecessarily slow." Mr Lamont, who is representing the Government in the latest round of European Community talks aimed at



Norman Lamont: "Difficult to

forfeits for non-compliance, accused Mr Lee of failing to understandable difficulties, the acknowledge what had been need for Britain to have a viable done and the problems of privatizing in the face of the deepest recession and the largest losses in the steel industry for 30 years.

A major problem had been finding private-sector companies prepared to put up money to buy assets at anything like a reasonable price, he said.
The association estimates that about 20 per cent of BSC's output directly overlaps that of the private sector, and should 1982.

already well advanced for a "Phoenix" company covering the engineering steels sector, to be formed from public and private interests. But that would still leave 10 per cent of BSC products competing with the Meanwhile, talks have once

again been postponed between the BSC and United States Steel over the proposed controversial joint venture to sell Scottish steel slabs to United States Steel's Fairless finishing mill A final decision was expected

Norman Lamont: "Difficult to find private-sector cash setting new minimum steel Robert Haslam, BSC chairman, prices and forming a system of and Mr David Roderick, chairman of United States Steel. But, according to a brief BSC statement, "a final outcome has not yet emerged".

A conclusion is expected to be reached in January.

Steel production in Britain's public and private sectors averaged 310,000 tonnes a week in November, a rise of 2.5 per cent on the previous month and 31.6 per cent up on a year ago. For the first 11 months of the year, output averaged 292,200 tonnes a week, a rise of 7 per up as Vantona'a biggest sharecent on the depressed levels of bolder.

# ICI sells stake in Vantona By Michael Clark

ICI finally severed its connexions with the textile industry yesterday by selling its entire stake in Vantona Viyella.

The group is selling 7 million shares in the company at 148p each, amounting to just under 20 per cent of the total issued equity and valuing the entire stake at £10.36m. The shares are being placed with financial institutions by the merchant bank N. M. Rothschild and the broker Hoare Govett.

ICI obtained its shares in Vantona Viyella when Carring-ton Viyella, in which it owned a sizable stake, merged with Mr David Alliance's Vantona earlier this year.

Shares of ICI slipped 4p to 650p on the news, but later recovered in close only 2p down at 652p. The sale met with mixed reactions in the City, with observers expressing surprise at ICT's niming

It now lonks as though the textile industry is starting to pull clear of the recession. Yesterday, Mr Alliance, chair-man of Vantona Viyella, took the opportunity to forecast a leap in pretax profits for the present year from £4.3m to £11m.

Mr Alliance said that he was pleased with ICI's decision to, sell, having wanted it to place the stake. ICI says that one reason for

selling now was to help improve the group's tax position as the financial year draws to a close. But the group was known to have been unhappy with its investment: it had supported lossmaking Carrington Viyella for years.

Mr Alliance intends to take up 250,000 of the shares on offer. This is in addition to the MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark

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**DOLLAR STOCKS** 

Trident shares tipped

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, Dec 12. Dealings end, Dec 29. Contango Day, Dec 30. Settlement Day, Jun 9. market in the run up to

and Pleasurama earlier this week has not deterred everyone. At least that is the view of broker Kitcat & Aitken, which James Goldsmith, joined the is recommending the shares of Trident as a "buy" to its clients. Unlisted Securities Market in November raising almost £9m in the process. Last night shares of Trident

The decision of the Mon-

opolies and Mergers Com-

mission to block the proposed

merger of Trident Television

Kitcat is confident that another bid for the group may closed unchanged at 118p be just around the corner and this time might receive the blessings of the Monopolies valuing the company at £57m. Aspinali's refused to be drawn Commission. Kitcat refuses to name names, but the market has its own thoughts on the

Broker Jacobson Townsley has hecome a big fan of shares of Saatchi & Saatchi following subject.

Top of the list Aspinall's - a recent figures showing pretax profits last year doubled at £11.2m ond regard them os outstanding value. For the client of Kitcat & Aitken which yesterday announced it had increased its holding in Angle Scottish Investment with. present year JT is looking for pretax profits of £15m earnings of 30p selling on a P/E of 17. The shores rose 5p to 515p the purchase of an extra 1.48 million shares. This takes Aspinall's total stake to 4.78 million shares, about 15 per reckoned a full bid may soon follow.

The rest of the equity market Aspinal's, the Knightsbridge put up a solid performance casino group previously jointly despite the overnight setback on owned by zoo owner Mr John Wall Street and the low level of Aspinall and financier Sir turnover which has affected the a thin market,

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Christmas. The FT Index having fluctuated in narrow limits throughout most of the day closed 1.7 up at 752.8.

Once again there was solid support for blue chips where US investors continue to take more than a passing interest. Imperial Chemical Industries has been a particular favourite and Wall Street investors now own around 15 per cent of the shares in the form of American depositary receipts. But yesterday the shares elipped 2p to 652p as the group announced plans to sell off its entire 20 per

al 148p a chare. The star turn was again reserved for BOC Group following recent figures. The shares jumped 19p to a record 295p as American investors managed to pick up about 500,000 chares in

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Hefty gains were also seen in Hawker Siddcley 10p up at 358p, Plessey 5p at 237p and TI Group 8p at 164p.

There was late support for the pound on the foriegn exchange and this was good news for gills

Shares of consolidated Murchison, the South African antimony mining group, hit a second 665p in London vesterday - a rise of more than 120p in the past three weeks. Dealers report heavy support for the shares from the Cape and ther is now talk of a bid of about £10 a shore. At this level the group is valued at

with prices recovering earlier losses to show gains of up to 12p in longs, while at the shorter end prices were generally unchanged. The pound closed 55 points up BI \$1.4225. Second liners saw GRA Group, which owns most of the

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greyhound racing stadiums in this country, spurt 4p to a new high for the year of 47p on renewed support by two leading brokers. Reports suggest the group is about to strengthen the board still further and the name of Mr Jeffrey Sterling, of P&O and Town & and City, has been put in the frame.

There are also suggestions that GRA may be on the verge of clinching a deal to sell-off some of its vast property portfolio to one of the big supermarket chains. Both GRA and Mr Sterling were unavai-

lable for comment. Among insurance brokers Minet Holdings rose Ip to 143p ahead of nine month figures due chortly. Analysts are looking for pretax profits of between £15m and £17m compared with the corresponding figure of £13m.

Moray Firth Maltings, the scotch whisky group, celebrated ils start on the Unlisted Securities Market. Opening H1 227p the shares later slipped 10 217p. but by the close were still showing B premium of 22p quite an achievement newcomers lately.

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**COMPANY NEWS** IN BRIEF

idderu Engineers of Bristol ix months to June 30, 1983 In interim dividend (same) rightes in £000: Turnover 4,631 4,047). Trading profit 3 (loss 12). No tax (same). Loss suributable 157 (287). Loss per there 5.2p (7.4p). Company has secured important design end management contracts, which extend into 1986.

Burco Dean: Year to Sept 30. 1983. No final dividend, making 0.tp (nil). Figures in £000. Turnover 17.389 (21,547). Pretax loss 697 (771 loss). Tax nil same). Extraordinary income 747 (loss 395). Other taxes 5 (40). Profit for the year 45 (loss

Danze Investment Trust: Halfear to Nov 30, 1983. Interim 1,75p (1.5p) a share. Group gross revenue, £324,622 (£287,430). Net revenue. gross revenue, £324,622 (£287,430). Net fevenue, £153,264 (£119,096). Earnings

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per share 2.19p (1.7p). Net asset value per income sbare 52.31p Alblon: Year to Sept 30, 1983.

No dividend (same). Turnover £6,581m (£9,27m). Trading profit £80,950 (loss £748,160). Earnings per share 13p (loss 19.7p). Albion reports that current financial position has dramatically improved. Over the past year, the strengthening of the balance sheet has been the main priority.

Continuous Stationery: months to Sept 30, 1983.

Interim 0.45p (same). Turnover £2.141m (£2.102m). Profits before tax £160,017 (£227,113]. Cooper Industries: Six months to Oct 31, 1983. Figures in 1000: Turnover 9,344 (6,504)l. Pretax profit 207 (196 loss). London Merchant Securirless Six months to Sept 30, 1983. Figures in £000: Net rental income from investment contributions 360 (loss 371). Other trading activities profits 308 Altho (28 profit). Profit before tast ings ha 3,551 (3.834). Comparisons restated to give effect to the change in accounting policy.

Interim payment raised from

().5p to 0.6p.

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#### INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK

# Record first half at Unigate

Two rather lean years have been put behind by Unigate, the milk to transport company, with half-year profits and every sign that the balance sheet will be looking much stronger by the year-end.

The results are reassuring in the face of perpetual worries about Unigate's reliance on its dairy business and the liquid milk market in particular. The threat from chearp UHT

milk from Europe has probably been overestimated though it is likely to see some increases in its current market share of only per cent. The slow changeover from doorstep deliveries of daily pints to sales through supermarkets could be more serious although Unigate has a higher proportion of shop sales than most other milk com-

With a £4m increase profits from the dairy side which includes the St Ivel range - first-half profits increased from £15.3m to £23.6m right at the top of market expectations.

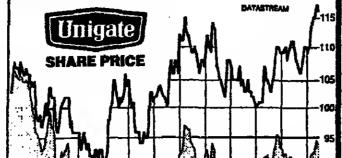
The results were helped by a big increase from Wincanion. the transport division, although the rise is masked by an accounting change for the interest charge. The underlying improvement is a rise from £2.8m to £4.6m.

Gillspur, the exhibitions business bought two years ago, benefited from the stronger economy.

Overseas. Unigate says it is pleased with the Casa Bonita fast food restaurants bought in the US: last year they contributed about £5m of the total overseas profits of £12.5m. The contribution is already ahead this year and should rise

Although short-term borrowings have doubled to over £60m, largely attributable to the US operations, they are offset

by cash balances of over £56m. By the year-end cash flow should be neutral and positive



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considerably more money than last year, and the group's holiday camp business suffered

from a big decline in bookings, profits plunging from a little over £2m to £240,000.

The group's main activity of mining and selling elay reported

a small rise in profits, but the big aggregates business, benefit-ing from contract to supply the North Devon link and the Plymouth relief road building

projects, recorded a £4m leap in

however, was somewhat marred below the line by a much

higher-then-normal tax charge

caused mainly be a reduction in offsetting capital allowances. Attributable profits were just

under £28m; against £32.5m last time. This no doubt influenced the decision to

increase the final dividend only

slightly after the hig rise in the interim payout. The total

dividend is 8.75p, against 8.2p

The outlook for the present

year is good, with volume beginning to pick up quite smartly among English China

Clays' main customers, the

European paper industry, and

The group's performance,

profits to t3.3m.

during 1984. In the first-half of last year the cash outflow was £43m, of which £38m was capital expenditure. This time cash outflow was only £3m, even with capital expenditure totalling £30m. A Properly revaluation for 1984 should show a substantial surfus because overseas properly has not been revalued for several

Profits for the full year should easily top £50m against £43.7m, Meanwhile, the interim dividend has been increased from 2.5p to 2,75p.

# **English China**

English China Clay's £2m downlurn in interim profits reported in June has been more than recovered in the second

Full-year pre-tax profits were £46.5m, against £43.5m last time, despite a turnround at the jointly owned seismic survey husiness, Horizon Expolora-tion, from ettributable profits of £1.3m to losses of £2.2m,

Katalisuks International, an associated company, also lost

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more than two years of stagnation, china clay prices might rise this year. Profits of more than £55m look possible.

A revaluation of group assets has thrown up a surplus of £67m, which will make the company a much bigger bite for the likes of Rio Tinto-Zinc, should the long-rumoured takeover bid ever materialize.

Guest, Keen & Nettlefolds will have to redo its sums if it wants to bid again for AE (the old Associated Engineering) when the Monopolies and Mergers Commission reports in

AE yesterday announced a significant turnround in its fortunes last year. Pretax losses of £200,000 for the year ending September 1982 were turned into a £400,000 profit this year But that does not do justice to its new strength. The company produced an operating profit of £14.2m on sales of £370m.

Mr John Collyear, the chairroan, said: "The operating profit of the UK companies doubled in the second half, from £4.7m to £9.9m, and that trend has continued in the two months since then.'

He said that the company would look at the £67m GKN bid, which lapsed on referral to the Commission in September. as and when it comes up.

GKN has argued that th merger would have presented a "significant opportunity to restructure an important section of the UK automotive components industry to meet international competition". But Mr Collycar pointed to the international side of AE as being ood of its strengths. The difficulties with loss-making South African subsidiaries had been largely

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# Hotels lead 200% rise in profits at Stakis

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By Our Financial Staff

Pretax profits of Stakis, the hotels, casino and drinks company, rose last year by £2m that initial trading results for the current year indicated that there would be continued profit growth in 1983-84.

Turnover of the Glasgow-based group, which has recently expanded into the London hotel business, was up from £88m to £99.8m for the year to October, and trading profit was up from £6.4m to £8m.
The hotels and inns division

was the main contributor to the profits rise, with trading profit of £4.3m against £3.2m, and the casinos division showed trading profits up from £2.2m to £2.7m. The wines and spirits business recorded a fall from £1.04m to £864.000.

The rise in the hotels and inns figure was helped by an exceptional item gain of £542,000, arising from the sale of properties (last year the comparable figure was £342,000), and insurance claims

of £55,000. The dividend is being increased to 1.45p at the final stage, making 2p for the

year against 1.76p.

The company said that the tax charge of £866.000 (£314.000) had been reduced by years of £280,000. The company had a £7.8m rights issue in anuary this year.

# **Expansion** pays off for M&G

By Jonathan Clare

M&G Group, Britain's second largest unit trust company, has reported record profits - up 65 per cent - after a big upturn in the shares of high-yielding and recovery sectors in which it invests. Profits increased from £3,6m to more than £6m and the total dividend for the year has been increased by one-third to 20p. The results are the best so far from the quoted unit trust companies. M&G's unit trusts

increased substantially in value from £874m to £1,243m which represents about 11.5 per cent of the total market. A similar allow M&G to overtake Save & Prosper, the market leader.

The results reflect the good year experienced by the unit trust industry with better market conditions in certain countries, such as Britain, the US and Japan. The better results come as much from the expansion of M&G's business stock markets. The figures were also helped by the forecast improvement in M&G's insurance business where profits increased from £200,000 to f928 000 and funds managed by the group rose from £263m to £377m.

Earnings per share increased by 55 per cent from 26.2p to 40.6p.

Profits from M&G's own unit £4.tm. Profits from trusts administered for other people rose from £59,000 to £77,000. Net assets per share increase

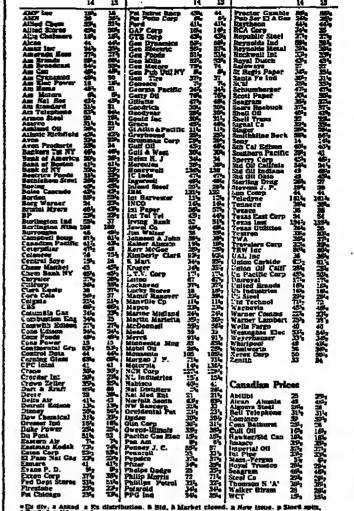
#### WALL STREET

New York (NYT)-Xerox is Napierville, Illinois, has a expanding its financial services flourishing business in packag-

next three years.

business by acquiring Van ing tax exempt municipal bonds Kampen Merritt, e privately into long-term unit investowned investment backing ments.

The deal is worth \$150m plus Investors took the news in a contingent payment of as their stride. Xerox's stock much as \$68m based on Van reached a 52-week high on Kampen's earnings over the Tuesday closing at 50 1/4, up on a volume of nearly 1.3 The company, based in million shares.



HERMAN SMITH

Results 30th June 1983

£327,940 and texation credit of £596,967, giving an after-tax

\* On turnover at £8,632,288 the Group has produced an

dividend is maintained at 0.5p pershare.

will be much improved.

Group operating profits.

operating business plan.

expenses) is proposed.

operating prefit of £350,892 before interest charges of

profit of £619,919. The pre-tax profit of £22,952 is after

charging costs for redundancies of £83,132 and £200,000 relating to the joint venture, Herman Smith Hitco. The total

\* The contract Pressworking subsidiary suffered a loss due to a

difficult year, and did well to make a modest contribution.

Benefits of increasing production are more likely to show through in the second half of the present financial year.

operated better than budget for the year, and continues to do

order position is more satisfactory then for some time end although our joint venture Company will require

M. Herman-Smith, Chairman

so at this time. We have every confidence in the profitable

\* Within our wholly owned subsidiaries the forward

some further support this year, it is within its

A restructuring of borrowing arrengements and a Rights Issue to raise approximately £960,000 (after

Copies of the full report may be obtained from the Secretary,

Cinderbank Works, Netherton, Dudley, West Midlands DY2 9AH.

\* As anticipated, Precision Engineering had an extremely

Eurocraft has traded well and contributed signif

growth of this company in the longer term.

\* HERMAN SMITH HITCO has made excellent progress,

severe down-turn in demand. The results for the current year

# **Interim Profits Doubled** Summary of Results for the half year to 28th September, 1983

Full Year 1982/83 £'000 1983 £'000 34,832 67,205 **Group Trading Profit** Profil before Tax 1,082 Dividend per share

Earnings per share \*Half Year figures unaudited and after a full tax charge.



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Trens Year to 30.6.83 Pretax Loss £1.2m (£108,000) Turnover £9.8m (£12.2m) Net interim dividend None (same)

Wight Collins Rutherford Scott Haif-year to 31.10.83 Pretax profit £204,000 (£121,000 Stated earnings 302p Turnover 2906m (£6.6m) Net Interim dividend 1.25p

Shaw Carpets Half-year to 28.10.83 Pretax profit £722,000 (£142,000) Stated aarnings 2.4p (0.5p) Turnover 220.3m (£18.5m) Net interim dividend 1p (nii)

# **Base** Lending Rates

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# "You are watching BET."

In our last Annual Report the Chairman predicted that pre-tax profits would climb well away from their plateau. Our results for the half-year to 30 September 1983 were as follows:

£610,331,000 Up 9% Turnoves £31,769,000 Up 17% Pre-tax profit Earnings per share 10.3p Up 18% Dividend 2.25p Up 21%

We also made progress in concentrating our resources into those service areas which we know and understand. For the future we continue to be

a company "worth watching".



For a copy of the Interim Statement please write to Neil Ryder (Dept. T. F.). Stration House, Piccadilly, London WIX 6AS.



# "Good progress towards the creation of one bank" Sir Michael Herries, Chairman,

hes contributed to e substantial increase in the On 30 June 1983 we announced our decision to bank's current account base. The Group has conmerge the businesses of The Royal Bank of tinued to expand its representation overseas. Scotland and Williams & Glyn's Bank into The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, which we intend will take effect during September 1985. We are more than ever convinced that the full merger will produce significant benefits for the Group, with a branch coverage throughout Great Britain. Furthermore, both domestically and internationally we shall be a

**Key figures** 

Profit before

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ordinary share

larger, stronger bank with a unified balance sheet. More importantly, however, we shall achieva very substantial operating economies from merging the two banks. The more efficient use of our existing capital resources and staff will give us greeter ability to face competition and

ettack new markets more effectively.

Results The improved results for the year reflect the impact of the growth of our business volumes and a widening of our interest margins despite the fall in the average base rate from 13.3 per cent in 1982 to 10.0 per ceni in 1983. The results include a

Appearance of the second secon

much better second halt performance than anticipated earlier in the year. This has been due in the main to higher net interest éamlngs, better commission and fee incoma, a reduction in the bad and doubtful debt charge between the two halves and an increase in our share of profits from associated companies.

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The economic climete in the U.K. has improved somewhat over the last twelve months. Activity, on average, has been higher, intlation lower, and productivity has risen further. However, unemployment remains al an extremely high level.

The outlook, as ever, is uncertain. World recovery commanced this yeer with tha upturn being led by unexpectedly strong growth in the United Stetes of America. The improvement has spread end

with some leading European economies now experiencing real growth wa can quardedly optimistic about prospects for world trade in the coming year. However, many problems

The Future

in the year ehead it seems possible to look for a continuation of the recovery from recession that has commenced, albeit somewhat

hesitantly, in the past twelve months. We face a period of accelerating and continuing change as new tachnology end the increasing breakdown of traditional distinctions within the financial sector create both new opportunities to obtain business and a range of new competitive pressures.

Against this background, we are making good progress towards the creation of one bank which will fit us better to surmount the challenges and to seize the many opportunities in the months and years

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The United States budget

deficit is at record levels,

and is almost universally

regarded by politicians and economists in Europe as the

economic recovery. Infinen-

tial critics both inside and

outside the Reagan Ad-

ministration are adding

their voices to the criticism

of Mr Reagan's economic

policy. But 1984 is an

election year, with Mr

Reagan now having declared

himself as a candidate.

Washington assesses the

political climate for this

How long is 100 long to wait in correcting the crippling world effects of a huge United States

hudget deficit projected at \$200

billion and above for the next

with the success of recovery, no

one in Washington was asking

concern has grown, the US

deficit has come to be regarded

as an economic time bomb

which must be defused before it

But when? Can action by

Congress and the Reagan Administration wait until after

the elections in 1985 as the

President has proposed? In-creasingly, and in louder voices,

What is wrong with waiting

until 1985 to take the politically

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spoken economics adviser, the

problem is this: "The longer

you wait, the more difficult it is for the economy to absorb the

kinds of changes in government

Enacting the budget in 1985 rather than now would inevi-

tabley mean a slow phase-in of

deficit reductions and, there-

fore, a more unbalanced recov-

ery. Mr Feldstein said, This would lead to less capital

formation, higger increases in the national debt and, eventu-

ally, higher interest rates.

It is precisely these fears

which fuel the growing oppo-

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crucial economic debate.

# New chiefs at Banking Corporation economists in Europe single most important barrier to sustained worldwide

Hungkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation: Mr William Purvis, at present execulive director Banking, will succeed Mr P. E. Hammond as deputy chairman next May, Mr | Robert Farrell, at present group staff controller, will join the board, also in May, as an executive director. Mr Hammond will retire at the ordinary vearly general meeting on May

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Crescent Japan Investmen Trust: Mr lan Macdonald will join the boards of Crescent Japan and New Tokyo Investment Trust on January 1.

The English Association Trust: Mr James Cave will be a director from January 19. He will be in charge of the investment division and will be the managing director of The English Association Investment Management.

Maersk Company: Mr A. B. Marshall has been appointed vice-chairman.

Wells Fargo Bank: Mr Richard Borda, executive vicepresident, has been made head of the Europe/Africa/Middle London. He succeeds Mr William Wright. Save & Prosper Investment

Management: Mr Chris Tracey is to be managing director.

Argyll Group: Following the completion of the merger of Argyll Foods and Amalgamated Distilled Products, Mr C. D. Smith will be group financial controller and company sec-retary and Mr P. A. Frendo group financial controller of Argyll Foods and finance director of Argyll Stores in place of Mr Smith, Mr J. P. Kinch is appointed assistant group company secretary of Argyll Group and company secretary of Argyll Foods and of Amalga-mated Distilled Products.

National Bedding Federation: Mr Patrick Quigley has become chiefexecutive.

Singer & Friedlander: Mr B. D. F. Mansfield has been appointed a managing director and Mr W. H. Wright a local director from January I.

# Opposition grows to the President's unwillingness to tackle the huge US deficit

# The world waits for Reagan to defuse an economic time bomb







Martin Feldstein (left) and Robert Dole (centre): two vociferous critics of Reagan. fired a fortnight ago by White

swept to victory during the last presidential elections on the promise of a balanced budget a hi-partisan group of officials

nd sustained economic growth. Mr Robert Dole, the powerful chairman of the Senate finance unpopular step of raising taxes committee, is prominent among them. Despite strong White In the words of Mr Martin Feldstein, the President's out-

'Delaying reducing the budget will lead to a less balanced recovery'

House opposition, he held an unusual set of hearings last week to focus national attention the threatened hudget

"I regard the deficit as the most important domestic issue facing Congress and I fear there is a real danger of political stalemate in the coming year, Mr Dole said.

In the Dole camp and

elsewhere, there is the perception that President Reagan is playing his political fiddle while the US economy burns. They note that in doing nothing, the President has repeatedly stated his belief that the deficit would go away in time as the recovery

The President's critics fear that the recovery will go up in smoke if action is not taken now to reduce the deficits in 1986 and the years beyond.

They foresee a steady rise in the deficit to \$280 hillion by fiscal 1989. Interest payments on this extra debt alone are estimated to be in the neighbourhood of \$30 bn - \$100 bn a

According to Mr Feldstein: 'Just to finance that additional interest would require a tax increase at 1988 levels of 15-20 per cent on top of the personal income taxes which are aiready For these outspoken remarks,

Mr Feldstein was very nearly

him to keep his views to himself in the months ahead. But other equally prominent economists have taken up this

House officials who ordered

Mrs Alice Rivlin, an econo-

Various efforts to cut the deficit are predicted to get nowhere

mist who recently stepped down as director of the Congressional Budget Office, said: "Waiting until 1985 to take action on the deficit entails the risk of having to wait until after the next nev recession. By 1985, growth will have slowed substantially and perhaps even turned negative."

Mrs Rivlin's successor, Mr Rudy Penner, a highly respected Republican economist with strong ties to the Reagan administration, last week said more or less the same thing. According to Mr Penner: "The mathematics are in place for an explosion. The longer we wait the more serious the problem."

He estimated that the cost of financing the national debt will rise by \$56 billion between fiscal years 1982 and 1986, and would exceed substantially the level of standby tax increases proposed by President Reagan in his 1984 budget.

Despite these repeated warnings, both President Reagan and Thomas O'Neill, the Democraic leader of the House, interim deficit reduction programmes proposed by both parties for 1984.

Mr Dole has proposed a deficit package which would reduce it by \$150 billion over four years through equal amounts of spending cuts and tax increases.

Earlier, a group of House Democrats tried and failed to huild support for a programme of defence and social spending cuts coupled with tax increases for a total reduction of about \$250 billion Similar deficit reduction efforts will be proposed again when Congress reconvenes in January. But already it is predicted they will not get anywhere

Mr Dole said: "Without strong leadership from both President Reagan and Mr O'Neill neither those who favour budget cuts nor those who favour tax increases will budge."
The Administration,

hard at work on its 1985 budget, has said it has little interest in an interim compromise package to be enacted in 1984. The result of this stalemate is likely 10 be a growing loss of confidence in the Administration's commitment to reducing the huge structural deficit predicted up to 1989, This is expected to have an

immediate effect, translating into a slower recovery in the US which would have negative effects in Europe and elsewhere. According to Mr Feldstein: we saw a resolution of the

hudget situation now, the confidence that would create would make it possible to live with large hudget deficits in 1984 and 1985. If we do nothing now, and the confidence is not there, then the actual performance of the economy in 1984 and 1985 is going to be much

# BET profits up a sharp 17%

British Electric Traction, would become a takeover target which takes in house building, but the threat has awakened the was the first significant increase £70m.

for at least three years. Hugh Dundas, BET chairman, said: "In our last annual report I predicted that our pre-tax by 21 per cent to 2.25p. profits would start to climb away from their plateau."

For the six monthes to the end of last September group turnover rose 8 per cent to £610m on which pretax profits of £31.7m were earned against profits of £27m last time. Profits were much in line

with the predictions of market analysts and BET's price eased Ip to 265p. The price has risen this year from a low of 166p. The sharp movement has been inspired by market expectations of a takeover hid since hidding for conglomerates looked like becoming fashion

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newspapers, lelevision and company from a six-year sleep transport, yesterday reported a during which full-year profits it fluctuated between £60m and

This year's opening half Announcing the figures. Mr peformance implies full-year earnings of a record £80m. BET

has raised the interim dividend Most of the increased opening-half profit came from the group's construction interests where pre tax profits rose from £1.5m to £7.3m

Industrial services manager to push up profits from £7.2m to £7.9m, while BET's transponinterests rose 26 per cent to £7.6m. However, in electronics. which includes BET's stake in Rediffusion, pre tax profits fell by more than a fifth to £6.1m. Profits in publishing are un-changed at £1.9m and leisure sector profits increased by 26

Last month, BET announced earlier this year.

Some analysts said yesterday that they did not believe BET and thought a formed consortium.

# Market listing for McCarthy & Stone

McCarthy & Stone, the huilder of sheltered housing for the elderly, is to get a full stock market listing 18 months after it made its debut on the Unlisted Securities Market. The company is also asking its sharefinance a big expansion plan during the current year.

Last year McCarthy, which njoys a high stock market because of the lead it holds in its specialist market, increased its profits from £2.1m to £3.7m. The better than expected

results follow much higher sales than expected of its flats for the elderly. After selling 189 flats in the first half, sales accelerated sharply in the second half to 303 with a similar rate of growth expected this year. The growth is the result of increasing demand for this type of housing geographical coverage which is now almost nationwide.

The rights issue will reduce the stakes held by the McCarthy and Stone families from 76 per cent to 62 per cent. The cash is likely to be quickly eaten up by developments and gearing could be 90 per cent by the end of the Sales of flats during the first

three months of the current year totailed 195 compared with just 85 for the same period last time. The field is becoming more competitive with some of the

hig house huilders like Barratt moving in but McCarthy is ready to manage developments. on their behalf. It is also considering huilding

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nursing homes for the elderly which would accommodate old .... people who become too infirm to live in the standard flats. The dividend has been

increased from 2p to 3.5p. The yield is only 1.4 per cent with the shares down 5p at 365p. The terms of the rights issue are one to four at 300p.



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Mr David Trippier, the minister for small business, has given a powerful personal endorsement to a new community-based fund set up to pump cash into local businesses in North East Lancashire using the Business Expan-

Mr Trippier said that the new fund, which is in his own constituency of Rossendale and Darwen, is the first fund to he set up in the spirit of the Chancellor's intentions when he announced the Business Expanmonopolised by the big funds. He hoped that by February there would be two or three more locally-based funds set up under the initiative of local enterprise agencies.

Since the Business Expansion Scheme was announced last March, 27 City-based funds have been set up to take advantage of the generous tax concessions it makes available. But many of these schemes have been criticised for the high management charges, the cost to the companies which use their cash and frequent de-mands for options over the shares and a seat on the board. The new fund, the Valleys of Enterprise Trust Fund (VET), is run by local businessmen who draw no salary for this work. It intends in invest £500,000 in local firms. Investors will pay no initial management charge, although there will be a halfyearly administration charge of one per cent.

The VET scheme has been set up jointly by the Rossendale enterprise Trust and the Black-burn and District Enterprise

Mr Trippier also suggested that it might be possible to set up similar schemes in rural areas such as the South West throught the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas (Cosira).

N. 107 . 100 GEZ The VET scheme already has £250,000 promised and expects - 2 : 55 fg to be fully invested by April when the tax year ends. Individuals are expected to invest between £20,000 and £100,000. - 707 JE 12

Most of the big funds only consider investments in "big" small firms, unless they are small tirms, unless they are particularly exciting "green-field" projects which carry high risks and high rewards. They would not normally invest less than £100,000 which cuts off finance to a small business are the size, shape and performance of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off information available to allow the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, which cuts off into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, and the size of the small business sector, into its stride since March with backing also from Bass, and the size of the



Les Seeney (left) with Douglas Herbison and Professor John Dawson

# Small retailers set for a fairer deal

By Derek Harris

It comes as the British Govern-ment has indicated in its White Paper on regional policy that more help will oow he chan-nelled towards the services sector although how far this will be extended to retailing as such has yet to he clarified. 

including retailing.

There also appears to be n fair wind, with endorsement by the Council of Ministers still to come, for a code of conduct on small and medium-sized businesses which would lay an obligation on Brussels and national governments to make sure that policies do not actively harm small business operations.

The makes recommended to the need for vocational training schemes for the many going into retailing with no grasp of what they are taking na. More exemptions from Valued Added Tax are widely called for. The moves were welcomed as Tax are widely called for.

a long overdue shift of policies High rents and the local by Mr Donglas Herbison, authority rates based on them secretary general of the Euro- are not of the biggest problems,

There is good news this week for the small retailer who feels that he gets far less attention from government than the manufacturers who are in the minority among small business.

There are moves in the EEC to the small special to the small special to the NCT. He was chairing the body for more most of Britain's retailers.

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There are moves in the EEC conferences organised by the which could go some way to shifting the balance in favour of the shopkeepers with a prospective impact in Britain as much as elsewhere in the Community. It comes as the British Government has indicated in its White Paper on regional policy that ance of retailing in the context of helping small businesses and

Numbers of small retailers have been falling for years, with the rate of decline quickening in the seventies, followed by some limited evidence of a slower decline over the past three years, according to John Dawson, professor of distributive studies at the University of Stirling.

The dynamism of the sector comes out in the high annual birthrate of 25,000. But death rates are nearly the highest for any sector.

Reversing the decline in small retailing businesses depends more on altered attitudes among those running the businesses than on direct Government policy, he suggests. But he adds: "Government initiatives could well provide the tonic to speed recovery."

# YOUR OWN BUSINESS

# Pressure to push up loan limit

Changes in the small firms loans guarantee scheme, including widening its scope more to medium-sized enterprises, are being called for by the Smell Business Bureau writes Derek

Michael Grylls, the Bureau chairman, who is Tory MP for Surrey North West, is pressing the case in the House of Commons, urging that the upper loan limit under the scheme should go from £75,000 to £250,000.

This would allow medium-sized businesses with their greater capital needs to benefit from the capati frees to be that auch scheme with the bonus that such companies because of their greater size would tend to generate more jobs than a smaller business," said Mr Grylis.

He is also urging that the 3 per cent premium charged on loans should be abolished. Under the scheme 80

bank is guaranteed by the Government. The loan guarantee scheme is running on an experimental basis

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at present and a review is going on to decide its future beyond next May. The number of guarantees given under the scheme since June 1981 is now around 13,000 with well over £400m advanced.

British Institute of Management hes put together an easy-to-understand guide to setting up in business. The approach is a nuts-and-bolts one covering all the key considerations from finance sources and marketing to accounting systems and taxation. It explains how to put together a business plan.

business plan. The guide comes as a pack with additional guidelines on where to get help and advice, with a series of checklists for detailed aspects of a new business. It costs £5.50 including postage.



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Merging of the Clothing and Knitting Export Councils into a single body, the Clothing Export Council, has resulted in a comprehensive service being offered to members on export sales and marketing. A buyer service is being specially strengthened.

Contact: Clothing Export Council, Academy House, 26-28 Sackville Street, London W1X 207: telephone (01) 434 1881. A successful 18-month pilot scheme in Huddersfield has prompted Armitage & Norton, one of the top 20 chartered accountants by fee income, to star extending a low-price "nursery" scheme for giving accountancy help to new small businesses. The Leeds-based accountants, with a nationwide network of offices, are extending the scheme to other outlets in the North East at Bradford, Dewsbury, Halifax, and Leeds. A further extension to other offices in the North West, Scotland, the Midlands and the South, is the Midlands and the Scuth, is likely in the near future. Until a business is established, when it reaches the stage of appointing n full-time accountant, all rates charged are at o discount. First consultations, often involving o day including visits, are free. The aim initially is to create a bookkeeping system providing key

# The bank manager with a foot in the door

By Wayne Lintott

The problems of small businesses seeking to expand are legion but a straw poll of companies on the Unlisted Securities Market (USM) and merchant banks and venture capital advisers shows that the biggest cause of insolvency is under-capitalization at the time of the first phase of major

The other big problem is poor marketing research conpled with a too-strong dependency on a local clearing bank.

CPU Computers is a respected company within the USM market, having grown from a black bank account over the last ten-years. Its principal business is the distribution of computer components but it has recently begun manufactur-ing its own business computer. In the last financial turnover reached £20m and pretax profits rose 56 per cent to £1.35m. Some time over the next financial year the company

Mr Tom Fitzpatrick, is joint chairman and co-founder, and the thought of reflecting back

market listing.

intends seeking a full stock



Tom Fitzpatrick: the way to find the money

nver his initial problems causes a wry smile. "In year ooc we had trouble getting any form of bank support at all. We were offered overdraft facilities of £3.000 rising in £5,000 if we both put our houses up as security. I can't repeat our reply to a family newspaper

So Mr Fitzpatrick took the opposite tack. "Our solution was to write out a business plan showing our ideas, where we wanted to go, how much it would cost and our overdraft need of £15,000. Then we just walked round every clearing bank branch in Woking, Surrey, until we found a NatWest manager prepared to support us. In the end we didn't use it, but it gave the necessary credit references for one supported.

meteorically with the market. He offers two pieces of advice. The first: don't grow on borrowed money. The second: huild up the staff and infrastructure on money already earned and don't buy in staff on what you might achieve.

"Everyone goes on about cash flow management. But the reality is that that is the only way in do it successfully. Once you are indebted in the local bank manager, the internal pressures are enormous. The man never has his foot out of the door," he said.

Much the same problem faces James Hay Pension Trustees. They run a private company whose shares are currently being placed by stockbrokers Scrim-geour, Kemp-Gee to its private

Since the Government recently allowed self-administered company pension funds to invest 50 per cent in the business, plant and offices, demand has really rocketed. Mr John Bevan, the chair-man, says his company's prob-

lem was oot so much money as the internal infrastructure to support the expansion. "After we moved up in London (from Cardiff) we found ourselves getting involved in all kinds of projects for our clients. BES schemes, joint-developments and the like until ooe day we meeting our targets for oew

Since then the company has building up the administrative made the choice oot to expand structure to support the expansion. Once again from money earned, not money borrowed.

keeping system providing key management information tallored to the individual business.

Of the forms of financing available to the company, James Hay chose equity rather than bank loans. Having done that, they have similarly prepared n three-year plan that is flexible enough to allow for delays oo receivables.

"You know what the minimum receivables are going to be and, no matter what you hope for, you have to work on that figure and no other," Mr Bevan

Mr Charles Duff, a director at Venture Founders, whose £12m fund for new start-ups and pure greenfield projects was recently launched, stressed the importance of n business plan and defining a narrow market in which to operate.

His company has a client that entered intn a dramatic expansinn and rapidly became insolvent. The rescue money amounted to £2m. Luckily, that company had Venture behind it and the money was raised from City institutions with the necessary management back-up hired in.

But that is a rare occurance. All too often a company will be able in raise the capital to get off the ground only to find that the second tranche of much needed cash is either difficult to get or comes with too many strings.

Next Week looks at the

# Why small businesses don't grow into big businesses

First priority for the Small small businesses or in allow Business Research Trust, which evaluation of the effectiveness was formally launched this week with backing among others from the Bank of England, will be investigating secretary.

First priority for the Small small businesses or in allow funding is £150,000 and it is already supporting a pilot Trust this week suggested that survey in Scotland.

The Trust earned a stamp of approval from Norman Tebhit, secretary of State for Trade and why a low proportion of

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By Gerald Davies

# W Indies in new trouble after Kallicharran's resignation

the West Indies' leading bats-nen on their unofficial tour of said later. There were a lot of his side's mounting problems igning as vice-captain. dlicharran said he would ttinue playing with the team : would leave the country as in as the tour finished at the l of January.

'it's a personal decision," llicharran said. "I spoke with / wife and she is my best viser." Kallicharran's deparre means he will break his ntract with Transvaal, the ovincial side he has played for

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uring the past two years.
The West Indies' tour, made n defiance of international oycotts of South Africa, has already been troubled by financial disagreements as well as the incident when Colin Croft, the fast bowler, was ordered of a

whites-only train carriage.
The incidentr, widely reported in the West Indian press, provoked only hilarity among roft's team-mates. But a row over sponsorship has ended the cood-natured rivalry which narked the West Indies' first inofficial tour earlier this year and replaced it with with a hitterness which is evident both on and off the field.

The West Indies captain, Lawrence Rowe, says: "Things can never be the same again. The bitterness of the touring team, who felt they were being rohbed of extra cash when they were denied an opportunity to arrange their own sponsorship. spilled on to the pitch a week

# **Imran returns** to captaincy

Hobart (AFP) - Imran Khan will lead the Pakistan team, for the first time on their Australian lour, in the three-day match against Tasmania, starting here today.

Imran, who has been unable to lead his team in the previous 10

matches because of a stress fracture of the shin, has emphasized that he will not risk bowling, at least until after the five-Test series against

The Pakistanis will be without-Sarfraz Nawaz, who has a slightly

Alvin Kallicharran, one of were frequent and the South outh Africa, yesterday added things going on out there." Tempers were even more fraved off the field. Joe Pamensky, the South African Cricket Union (SACU) precident, stormed out of the West Indian dressing room last week after a row with Rowe. The West Indian retaliated by ordering his players not to wear a maroon strip provided for them and then threatening to call off the tour. A last-minute agreement by a local company to provide sponsorship of 250,000 rand

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(£138,000) saved the tour but failed to heal the rift, "I'm very unhappy about it," Rowe said. "We never thought anything like this could happen." Neither Rowe nor the cricket

union are saying exactly what the point at issue is, except that it is over money. But Pamensky is known to be expremely concerned at the poor finances. The SACU lost more than half a million rand on two previous tours involving English and Sri Lankan teams and without part of the sponsors' money going to the SACU the outlook for future unofficial tours would be bleak.

Pamensky said the match bonuses from the sponsorship make this the most lucrative cricket series in the world but Rowe and several of the touring eam remain dissatisfied. Under the arrangements, roughly 180,000 rand (£105,000) will go to the SACU to help meet tour expenses with the remainder

being split in prize-money

defeat by West Indies in the fifth Test match in Calcutta, Indian followers' frustrations

boiled over at the Eden Gardens

ground on Wednesday after West Indies won by an innings and 46 runs in take a winning 3-0 lead in the six-Test series. Calcutta's

the six-Test series, Calcutta's Telegraph newspaper yesterday

quoled eyewitnesses as saying enraged fans hurled stones, bottles.



Kallicharran: turning his back on vice-captaincy

Rowe has left himself out of two successive matches. This would appear far from satisfactory, especially as he is in need of practice for the major matches starting shortly.

Pamensky's anxiety over money is understandable. He estimates the cost of the two West Indian tours at over five ago in their first one-day match
against South Africa.

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million rand (£2.9m) and only

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other spin-otts can make them profitable.

Pamensky refused to say what the touring team were being paid because we have a gentleman's agreement to keep it confidential. "I would dearly like to spell it out because it would clear the air", he said. "All I can say is that the pay

# Indians' wrath at defeated team

Abbas Ali Baig. India's captain, Kapil Dev, was a

particular target. Bottles and oranges were thrown at him while opposite number Clive Lloyd, by Jocal televisinn.

In an editorial, the Telegraph blamed officials of India's cricket board for organizing tours during

Delhi (Reuter) - India's parliamentarians and newspapers have called for the resignation of cricket officials and wholesale changes in the team after India's crushing breaking windows and injuring the same team which had been welcomed by delirious crowds waving garlands... was yesterday pelted with stones." Indian side back to their hotel, breaking windows and injuring the middle order batsman, Ashok Malhotra, and team manager, had stunned the world by becoming undisputed world champions (in the World Cup) . . . has the Indian cricket lover equally stunned at the pits It has dipped to."

> ■ RADELL - The first limited over international between Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe was rained off here yesterday (Agence France-Presse reports).

# Exiles contribute to the Welsh downfall

London University Welsh Universities ......

Tomorrow the Welsh Cup, sponsored by Schweppes, reaches the second round and as always at this stage it is those matches London University recovered well from an uncertain start - an uncertainty made worse by the late arrival of two of their number - to between the large and small clubs beat the Welch Universities by two goals, two tries, and a penalty goal to a try, two penalties and two dropped goals at Motspur Park yesterday, it will not have been lost that will arouse the most interest, particularly those where the smaller hub has had the good fortune to be drawn at home. In this respect, there are a few of such matches which on the Weish student selectors present that much of the damage to their cause was done by two London ould spring a surprise or two. In the case of Wrexham, who play

at home to Neath, there is a good deal clse at stake. They are the only London dominated the lineous London dominated the lineout completely, largely through Collins and Morris, their captain, both of whom play their club rugby at Old Deer Park. Even the loss of Felsing in the second half did not hinder them unduly, though it did detract from their drive at the set scrums, which caused the Walsh some North Wales side remaining in the competition and they therefore zarry the flag for an area which would like to see a cinb develop to a the strongest side in the north, although Ruthin might care to which caused the Welsh some

dispute that. Fixtures against the senior clubs of the south are rare—they did travel to Tredegar earlier in the season, and beat them—and it is only in the cup competition that Injury and unavailability meant that the Welsh were without five of their leading players, while Londonwere missing Envoldson and Paige, who were both involved in examinations. The replacements on both sides however performed these matters can truly be contested.

A good run in the cup is one way of lending strength to their requests for both sides however performed creditable and contributed much to more regular contests.

For tomorrow's match they will an exciting game in which London slowly climbed back from a seven-point deficit.

be motivated, no doubt, by the memory that having travelled to Neath in 1978, they lost by, for them, the encouraging margin of 22 pts to 12. The game there is developing to an extent that as a representative team in the compe-tition. North Wales have reached the final of the Welsh County

nigher status.

A home draw makes a difference to the attitude of both sides. Last year, for instance, Tenby United were drawn to visit Llanelli at Stradey. Knowing the advantages were so much in the Scarlet's favour and not expecting to win, Tenby admit treating the occasion as a day's nuting. They lost 44 pts to 15. Tumorrow Tenby are drawn at home to Abaravon and they sniff victory. The visitors who are not having a consistent season, despite their victory against the steadily improving Newport last week, will have their work cut out. Maesteg will have similar misgiv-

Maesteg will have similar misgiv-ings about their visit to Abercynon, as will Cardiff at Treorchy. Cardiff, with two satisfying victories on the last two Saturdays, have shown a resurgence of interest in the kind of attacking rugby which they were looth to play ordine in the season loath to play earlier in the season. Part of the reason has been the continuing improvement of the Donovan. With two players able to create things in midfield means that the wings have more freedom.

Of the fixtures between the first

class clubs the one between Swanses and Cross Keys is the main attraction. The two elubs mer at this stage last year and Swansea won easily hy 37 pts to nil. Their fortunes have changed somewhat this year, having already lost nine games. Cross Keys, who, on the other hand, are gradually improving, lost by only 10 pts to 3 at St Helens

off recovered a penalty Clinch, the assured Welsh full-back, kicked another dropped goal.

Once they began to get some good possession however the London backs ran with freedom. Vaux, an Australian centre, showed some neat touches and Hammersley found the gaps, sending Newington over for an unconverted try before the interval. Clinch kicked a penalty after the break but Walsh, who offered his side much inspiration from the back, scored an individual

The Welsh midfield passing began to break down and London edged away with tries from Hammersley and Farrer, the second converted by Walsh. Clinch kicked the final penalty but it was merely a defiant gesture.

LONDON UNIVERSITY: 12 Welst: (Royal Free); 9 Ford (Royal Holloway), D. Vaux. (London Business School), C. Hammandey (Westmins-ter), O. Nowington (St. Thomas is; J. Farrer (University Collège Hospital), S. Vernting (Royal Holloway): N. Emberton (St. May's), A. Gillian

Crossan: shoulder injury

in Melrose last Saturday week, taking over from Murphy on the

John MGeady switches wings in

the Possibles, to take over from

Moss Keane, the veteran inter-national lock forward who has been

take his place in the

able to take his Probables line up.

It was not until midway through the second half that London finally took the lead. The Welsh student roared into the game with seven points in the first 10 minutes, Cleary scoring a try and Thnmas dropping a goal from a tapped penalty. Most of the loose possession went their (Bangor), A S

# Crossan and **MacNeill** out of trial

By George Ace

Hugo MacNeill, the Oxford Hugo MacNeill, the Oxford University captain and a British Linn in New Zealand ealier this year, has, as expected, withdrawn from the Probables side in tomorrow's final Irish trial at Lansdowne Road. But MacNeill, who has a leg injury, is virtually certain to be named in the Irish President's XV who will meet Ulster under floodlights at Ravenhill on January 4. hill on January 4.

In many respects the Ravenhill game will be regarded as a second final Irish trial. The team to meet France in Paris on January 21 in the opening match of the Five Nations Championship, will not be selected until after the Ulster game, for which Keith Crossan - another withdrawal from tomorrow's trial owing to a shoulder injury - has already been chosen.

MacNeill's place in the Probables MacNeura place in the pronapies goes to the Leinster captain of this season, John Murphy, with Roy Palmer, the Ulster full back who played on the left wing for the

# Defeats of **Zimbabwe** provide yardstick

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it is a significant yardstick by which to measure the English schools' game that the attractive Zimbabwe touring side lost to both Cornwall & Devon and to Lancashire, before scoring two tries to one in their narrow 13-10 defeat

Rugby School have enjoyed a thoroughly satisfactory season, their last match ending in a 9-9 draw with Loretto, who had beaten Stowe 10-3 two days previously. Rugby's final record reads: played 13; won & drawn 1; lost 4. The fact that the forwards were responsible for 14 of the 21 tries scored, clearly indicase: where the strength of the side lay and they suffered severe early

and they surfered severe early dislocation owing to injuries.

Cleverly, who missed four matches, scored 55 points from a total of 148, and Rugby's master-incharge of rugby. David Ray, summed up the season succincity. "A little more poise at crucial moments might well have led to an unbeaten season; however the tests." moments might well have led to an unbeaten season; however the team had s few weaknesses, and their record is probably fair." This seems a magnanimous view, when one realises that their largest losing deficit was four points, and their three other losses were by a single

Uppingham also enjoyed a to Bedford and to Sedbergh, drawing three matches and winning six, while RGS Worcester, who beat Bablake 15-7 last Saturday, ended Bablake 15-7 last Saturday, ended with the eminently creditable record: played 18; won 16; drawn 1 (v Warwick School); and lost 1 (v King Henry VIII, Coventry).

Trent College were more than a little affronted by our encomiums with regard to Silcoates, whom they defeated shortly after the relevant piece appeared, by 30 points to six. Trent have also had a respectable reason, winning mige matches on ed. season, winning nine matches on of 13 and, in the process, have scored 239 points, and conceded only 70. They lost the first match of the season to Warwick, and conceder three tries; since that setback the have had only two tries scored against them in 12 matches. Other defeats were against Bromsgrove and Nottingham High School. Last Saturday, they beat Worksop 174), with Smith, Fox and Hooper science with Smith, Fox and Hooper scoring tries, and the stand-off half Doleman, converting one and

#### Bride and gloom

The wedding of their British having medical treatment for a back injury. Is confident that he will be Lion, Steve Bainbridge, on Sat has given his club. Gosforti selection problems for their male ar Nottingham. Bainbridge a second row, will have Brian Patrick, fullback, Steve Gustard, a centre and Jon Curry, a prop, as guests at the wedding, and injuries have ruged out their wings. Derek Briggs and Jim Pollock, and the flanker Simon

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in quality between the tradition-ing more powerful inter-national teams of England and team "are a bunch of friends". Scotland and the less fancied and that the little known Wales and Northern Ireland is sparrow sized Nigel Vaughan arguably produced more out-table development from the in midfield; to suffice the Garrincha accepted, than Braterian arguably produced more out-table development from the in midfield; to suffice the Garrincha accepted, than Braterian arguably produced more out-table development from the in midfield; to suffice the Garrincha accepted, than Braterian arguably produced more out-table development from the interior produced

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It makes the Anglo-Scottish Ivan Gudely of Hajduk. abandonment of the British championship particularly ironic, at the very moment wheo Bobby Robson and Jock Stein, his position under increasing doubt, find themselves regard-ing their respective World Cup encounters over the next two seasons with Billy Bingham and Mike England with some genuine concern.

As the world wide graph of outstanding individual ability had declined in inverse proportion to the advanceof taetical. defensive team organization, the performances of the passionately committed Irish and Welsh was bound to improve, in proportion to the English and Scots. Wales, as they demonstrated

wales, as they demonstrated so exhilaratingly on Wednesday night against Yugoslavia in the clilf-hanger of a European qualifying tie, possess the same roised blessing advantage of a intall squad as enjoyed by the Irish, whose victories over Spain in the World Cup and West Germany twice, in the present European competition have been highlights of the past

two years. Mike England, the Wales manager, said two significant things yesterday morning as he began the seven day wait to discover whether the roulette of the final match between Yugos- than about fantasy, which is of

The narrowing of the margio lavia and Bulgaria in Split will course partly what is wrong Yugoslav Player of the Year

> It is not that Scotland. currently lurching from one slurop to another, or England, unbeaten in the last World Cup finals even if recently nailed at home by Denmark, are lacking squad friendship: It is that they have more players, and are tempted into more and often disadvantageous team changes in the elusive search for success, whereas Wales and Ireland are bonded by their own relative

> We saw a commitment on Wednesday night which was at times astonishing as Wales came within nine minutes of triumph. Players made tackles, some of them barely legal, which were heroic rather than dirty, Thomas, of Stolie, somehow reached a through ball near the corner flag in the second half which it seemed impossible for him to catch. Willpower.

> Average players, just as Hamilton, Armstrong and the Nieholls did for Ireland in Spain, now played above themselves. II was symptomatic former schoolboy rughy stan-doff half should be preferred beforehand to the more stylish veteran Leighton James.



Waiting in suspense: England begins his week-long ordeal before Wales discover their fate

History on the minds of FA Cup part-timers

# The crowning glory that lures the royal sons of Windsor

Cup Second round replay on Monday night. In the last four seasons the Isthmian League club have twice played away to Football League opponents in the cup and have lost heavily on both occasions, 7-0 to Wimbledoo and 7-2 to Brentford.

Yet ironically, Wiodsor's history and traditions are a great source of inspiration to the present team who are disputing with Bournemouth the right to a third roood tie against mighty Manchester United. The club have royal connexious dating

club have royal connexioos dating back to 1910 and their patron is the Duke of Edinburgh, who sent a "good luck" message to the team on Tuesday night.

Geoff Chapple, Windsor's manager, said: "It's the royal link that makes us unique. We're called the Royalists and we believe we're the coly clob in the country to wear a crown on our badge. The Duke of Edinburgh takes a close interest to Edinburgh takes a close interest to us and we were thrilled when be came to our annual dinner last

A football club has existed in Windsor under various names since the 1870s and in the 1872-73 season Windsor Home Park competed to the second FA Cup competinon. The present club were formed in 1902, when Windsor Phoenix amalgamated with Etoo FC, and cight years later they moved to their present Stag Meadow ground, which is inside Windsor Great Park, within a mile of the Castle and

FOOTBALL

ANISH LEAGUE: Espeñol 1, Bercelone C

SPANISH LEAGUE: ESpanol 1, Barcolle 1, Adeico Madrid 1, Salemanca C, Saville 2, Real Zarogoza C, Creatura 2, Cadiz C; Real Mellorta 2, Real Socieded 1; Adheric Bibso 2, Velencia C; Real Murcia 2, Mátega 1; Sporting 2, Real Septs C; Real Vallandolid 0, Real Madrid 2.

HANDBALL KATOWICE: Wemen's world chemplonehipe: Seventh place: Austria 13, Denmark 23, Ninth place: Norway 26, Sweden 23, Eleveth place: Spain 24, Neitherlands 23.

HOCKEY

SOUTH LEAGUE: Middleex, Berkehi Buckloghemshire and Oxfordehire Regit City of Oxford 2, Reading University 2.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE Calgary Flactors 4, Quebec Nordiques 2; New Jersey Devis 3, Buffulo Sabres 8; Wentjeeg Jess 8, Toronio Mapte Leafs 4; Los Angeles Kings 6, Chicago Black Hawks 5; St Louis Blues 4, Minnescon North Stens 4; Edmonton Otiors 9, New York Flampers 4.

Recent history will hardly be on Windsor and Eton's side when they travel to Bournemouth for their FA Cup Second round replay on Monday night. In the last four seasons the Isthmian Leave club. George VI as patron.

The contrast between Stag

Meadow (capacity 4,350) and Manchester United's Old Trafford



ground (capacity 58,0001 could hardly be starker. If Windsor beat Bournemouth there would be no question of them staging the match against United, despite having been dmwn at home. The tie would probably be switched to Old Trafford.

Yet it is remarkable for Windsor to be playing even in the second round of the Cup, for they are a small club by non-League standards alone. If the most successful semiprofessional clubs such as Altrincham and Enfield are the non-League equivalents of Manchester United or Liverpool, then Windsor should be compared with the likes

Three scasons ago Windsor were playing in the Athenian League and in their first scason in the 1sthmian first division (after promotion from the second division) they are already favourites for promotion to the premier division. Of their last 15 matches they have won 13 and

Much of the credit must go to Chapple, the manager, who as a player failed to progress beyond Aldershot's reserve team and went on to play for a oumber of Isthmian and Southern League

The players, who are paid only a few pounds a week, have a variety of jobs outside football. Boh King, the captain, cams more than most first division footballers as a money broker in the City and the side also includes an art director, a builder, a cost clerk, two decorators and a meat buyer for Sainsbury's.

None of them has played in the Football League, but three years ago Chris Yates, the leading scorer, turned down the chance of a professional career - ironically with urnemouth - because of the lack

Yates, aged 27, a British Telecom engineer, proved a handful for the Bournemouth defence on Tuesday and believes Windsor can still win.

Paul Newman



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In for different reasons: Muhren (left) and Whiteside

# United forced to rush Muhren Manchester United have rushed because of the condition of his toan

Arnold Muhren back into their team against Tottenham Hotspur at Old Trafford tonight. The Dutch International has missed United's last four league and cup games since he aggravated his calf jojury in the televised Sunday match at West Ham last month. Ham last month.

The United manager Ron Atkinson said: "Ideally I would have liked to give Muhren a run-out in the reserve team. But we have not

got many alternatives."

Atkinson has already lost McQueen, who lost his race for fitness after damaging a hamstriog against Ipswich last Saturday and he against ipswich tast saturday and he
is not allowed to play Crooks,
Atkinson has solved the problem at
the back by switching Duxbury to
McQueen's central defensive postion, and moving Moses to full
back with Mubren in midfield. As Crooks is on the sidelines

game should force the issue through negotiations with the Football League on a contraetual basis. Nobody wants professional players dominating adminis-tration as in tennis, but iolernational success is vital to football to Britain, and if the PFA was properly organized and not dominated by financial selfishness among the best players, they could force the League ioto arranging a free week before internationals.

with the same. Yugoslavin are part of the pallern, the same as England.

zil. Their manager Todor

Veselinovic, succeeding Miljan

Miljanic last year, has used over

50 players in one and a half

seasons. They showed much more of the skill at Ninian Park,

yet could not put it ingether and

might have lost 3-1 if Flynn,

Rush and substitute Jeremy

Charles had taken their chances.

and Rush and been given a penalty when pulled off the ball

by his frousers six minutes from

Romania, West Germany, Denmark, Belgium, Portugal

and the Netherlands or Spain in

the finals if, next week, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria draw,

or Bulgaria win 1-0. Bulgaria go through with a 2-0 win,

Yugoslavia with any victory. A

2-1 win for Bulgaria will force a coin toss with Wales, who

desperately need one of their three options in order to gain

the financial stability offered by

The end of the British championship means, Mike England admits that they may

have to pull out of the next

under 21 tournament, the present competition baving cost them £40,000. The disdain of

their historie English neigh-

bours has left them hanging on a thread and it is difficult to have sympathy with Bert Milliehip's view that ending the

ehampionship strengthens the argument for individual, inde-

pendent existence of the four

nome associations in the face of

England pleads, like other

British managers, for proper training opportunities before World Cup ties. There could be

a simple answer. The Pro-fessional Footballers Associ-

alion without whom there is no

Afro-Asian opposition.

Wales can still join France,

# Telford can build on story so far

Telford United, having reached the FA Cup third round for the first time. have reason to believe they can progress further. Telford, of the Alliance Premier League, travel to Rochdale on January 7 and the fourth division table shows that Rochdale are below both Stockport
County and Northamptoo Town,
the two sides Telford have already
knocked out.
A penalty by Mather 15 minutes

from the end of their second round replay on Wednesday gave them a 3-2 victory over Northampton and their manager, Stan Storton, said:
"Justice was done." Bailey and Williams put Telford 2-0 ahead, but the visitors hit back through Belfon and Jeffrey. Belfoo committed the foul that produced the penalty.

Altrincham, also of the Alliance, weot out 2-0 in their replay at

Darlington, who must now entertain another con-League side, Maid-

another con-League side, Massstone United.
Oxford United, who play Manchester United in a Milk Cup fourth
round. second replay on Monday,
beat Reading 3-0. The third division
leaders were in control throughout
and scored through Brock, Viotner
and McDonald, They will be away
to either Chesterfield or Burnley in
the third round.

#### **UEFA** acquit Inter Milan

Berne (Reuter) - UEFA yesterday dropped their investigation into a charge that an attempt was made to bribe the Dutch club Groningen. Their disciplinary committee ruled that Groningen had produced iosufficient evidence for their

allegation.
The Dutch club said a month ago that their trainer, Hans Berger, was offered 250,000 guilders (about £60,000) to ensure that they lost a UEFA Cup second round, second leg match against Inter Milan
The UEFA statement said there he OEFA statement said there were grounds to believe that Apollonius Konijnenburg, a Dutch players' agent living in Venice, had sought to talk with Berger

WEDNESDAY'S

**RESULTS** 

altack, "Games against Spurs are always attractive fixtures," Atkin-son said: "This one is a genuine double beader. I said at the start of the season that Spurs, Liverpool and ourselves were my dps for the championship and I see no reason to change that opinion. "We have a four point buffer over

from Spurs. Whiteside returns to the

Spurs and a win would give us a seven-point margin and pul us top of the table. This will put extra pressure on Liverpool to bounce back to the top the following day."

Spurs have decided against hurrying Archibald back. As Spurs' leading scorer with 16, is toubled by a hip injury, Brazil contioues to deputise, but there are likely to be two changes. Cooke will stand down for Galvin, who is set to play his first senior game for a month after

being sidelined with a shio injury, and O'Reilly is at fight back for the injured Hughton, Ardiles might also make his first appearance of the season after fighting his way back to full fitness from a similar injury. He is the probable substitute, The little Armening has alread seek for Argenune has played only four games in two years becouse of complications with his fractured

now following a few reserve outings and is looking fit and strong. We already have three changes because of injuries so this is the best way to bring him back to the league scene Keith Burkinshaw, the Spurs

Galvin, Ardiles and the left wing Dick who has recovered from a thigh strain, all played in Wednes-day's friendly at St Alban's to prove

# Chelsea's Middle Eastern promise The second division promotion just over three years. Before that, he

contenders Chelsea have signed a £150,000 sponsorship agreement with Gulf Air. The deal involves with Gulf Air. The deal involves Chelsea's management and professional staff flying to the Middle East areas served by Gulf Air to Harilepool, bottom of the fourth Irain and crach promising players. train and coach promising players.

The areas are the four states of Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and the Sultanate of Oman, and the more promising players will be invited back to Stamford Briadge to further their

Stamford Briadge to further their footbal education. It will take effect from now until the end of the seasoo and could be renewed next year.

The deal is Gulf Air's first international sponsorship and is believed to be the first British scheme involving and Arab group. Details of the scheme were revealed yesterday. The Chelsea chairman, Ken Bates, said: "A considerable yesterday, The Chelsea chairman, Ken Bates, said: "A considerable sum is involved. We have been talking with Gulf Air since September, ever since the two parties had been introduced by a

 Dundee yesterday appointed the Aberdeen coach, Archie Knox, as their new manager to succeed Donald Mackay, who resigned oo Sunday. The premier division elub, currently third from bottom, moved

quickly to engage Knox, Alex Ferguson's deputy at Pittodrie. Knox, a former player with Dundee's local rivals Dundee United, as well as St Mirren and Forfar, had been with Aberdeen for

won't need it at all now"

# Godfrey at Weymouth

Brian Godfrey has been appointed manager of Weymouth, the Alliance Premier League club (Paul Newman writes). Godfrey, previously manager of Bath City and Exeter City, succeeds Stuarn Morgan, who left Weymouth last month to become assistant manager of Bountemouth. Weymouth has resigned Andy Bell, a forward, from Yeovil Town for £2,500.

Bob Murphy has resigned as manager of Mossley. He has been replaced by Brian Grundy, the former Wigan Athletic and Bury

League and Cup games, yesterday dismissed their manager, Mick Docherty, Docherty, who replaced John Duncan on June 29, was the club's third manager this year. Billy Horner, who stood down after six years to charge to March, took over as caretaker after acting as assistant

as caretaker after acting as assistant to both Duocan and Docherty.
Docherty, the son of Tommy Docherty, would only comment: "I have been sacked and I am; consulting my solicitor." The club chairman, Vince Barker, said: "The decision was onaoimous." Docherty and been offeed and accepted a had been offered and accepted a two-year contract when be joined the club, but bad not yet signed.

West Ham forward, Paul Goddard, could soon be back in actinn. Goddard was due to have an operation on an injured improved so much over the last few days that we have postponed the hospital visit - and bopefully he

Tony Rees, the Birmingham
City winger who withdrew from
Wales's under-21 squad this week, is
in contention for a place in
tomorrow's match at Southampton.

IN BRIEF

# **Tough start for Scots**

tives in the 1984 Air Canada Silver
Broom, the curling world championships, will know from the start of next year's tournament if they have a realistic chance of returning

10,000 metres nile at the Olympic Park in Melborne yesterday. Kaman, aged 25 a journalism student at the Uoiversity of El Paso, have a realistic chance of returning with the trophy. They were paired with United States in their opening game of the competition at Dulut Minnesota, during the first week of April when the draw for the round robio series was made to Canada yesterday. They wil then meet West

Germany and, after a match against Norway, they play the Canadians. There could hardly have been a stiffer opening day for the Scots. The leading four countries go on to the knock-out semi-final stage and January 15.

DRAW: John Player Sports Half. Notifichans:
Pool 1: Oxford Hereits, Hounslow, St. Albans.
Welton. Pool 2: South Nomingham, Harmstead,
Southport, Khasle (Middy), Richard Dasn
Sports Centine, Bradford: Pool 3: Westech,
Sheffeld, Stone, Slough, Pool 4: Otton and
West Warwick, Ipswich, Addrey Edge,
Donoaster, Monteus Sports Centine, Stongle
Pool 5: RAF Strian Conneged, Cambridge City,
Stackheath, Bournemouth. Pool 6: Farward,
Pickwick, Medwey United, Gerrards Cross.
Oesis Centre, Swindow Pool 7: RN, Plymouth
Command, Beclarchem, Bournwille, Firthbrands. Pool 8: Bedford, Tules Hill, East
Grinstead, Gloucester City. there is a play-off for third place FOOTBALL: England seen certain to play Argentina for the first time since the Falkland conflict in a six-

on medical grounds, returns to the squad of 15 for the one-day World Scries Cup in Australia next month, squad: C Lloyd (captain), R Harper, V Richte, A Richardson, E Baptana, G Greenkige, O Haynes, J Gerner, M Karshall, W Denicl, J Dujon, M Holding, L Gomes, R Gabriel, W Davis.

club championship to be played on January 15.

# Smith delivers a stand-up put-down By Jenny MacArthur

Harvey Smith chose the British BSJA, disclosed afterwards that now Jumping Association's award riders receive constituenable help more to launch an attack on the when competing for Britain; the Show Jumping Association's award dinner to launch an attack on the running of the sport. Smith's criticism came on Wednesday after Association put up £80,000 a year towards the cost of sending Britain he had received a salver for his contribution in the Nations Cup.

"We work our gut out all year round and what do we get to show for n - this", be announced; bolding aloft his salver. "Every year the same old thing." He went on to describe how much effort leading them involves their spectrum. show jumpers put into their sport and suggested that in return show salver fetched 500 guineas; David Broome's then weat up for auction followed by Derick Ricketts's. By the end of the evening Smith's efforts had raised more than £1.300.

A dozen of Britain's top show jumpers, including Broome, Lonel Dunoiog and Tony Newbury, spent yesterday morning visiting the leukaemia ward in the Great Ormond Street hospital, Londoo. A collegue of Tony Elliott, the managing director of Griffin and Brand, Duoning's sponsors, suggested the scheme, which was started last year. The riders talked to patients, 30 of whom came to Olympia in the evening for the opening night of the Olympia pionship. and suggested that in return show organizers could at least pay stabling and entry frees for leading riders.

Smith, who is no stranger to taking the stage - be does stand-up comic routines in northern theatres during January and February - then spoke about the Olympies. He said it need no more than a ten-

it was no good borrowing a top borse from a professional and expecting a young amateur to climb oo board and win medals.

"When I get a new horse it can take six to nine months to get him going right," be said. He suggested to any selectors who might be

here" that what was required was a winning combination, a horse and rider who have had time to get to know each other, Smith's outburst brought a sharp

reply from John Blakeway, the retiring chairman of the BSJA who said he thought it was not the occasion for such remarks. He reminded riders of the debt they owed to sponsors who enabled show jumping to prosper.

Lieutenant Commander W. B. British
Jefferies, the secretary general of ation.

**SQUASH RACKETS** 

Miss Opie

regains British title

By Rex Bellamy

Lisa Opie, the 1981 champion, regained the British women's champiooship, sponsored by Just Juice, by beaung Martine le Moignan 10-9, 9-1, 9-4 in 45 minutes at Abbeydale Park, Shef-field letter auxiliary.

field, last evening. This was the third time Mrs le Moignan had been

Both women were born in Guernsey and are much the same

age. There had never been much between them in terms of natural talent. The first game probably had a considerable influence on the

confidence of both of them, Miss Opie won that game on her sixth

game ball but, in the process, had to save three game balls. That was a close and thrilling game in which both players made more winners than losers. As expected, Miss le

Moignan was particularly adept in using the side walls, whereas Miss. Opic had the greater variety.

Eventually Miss Opic won the game with a forehand that clung to the wall and achieved a length that was clearly the contract of the wall and achieved a length that

was almost perfect. The effect of the same's outcome quickly became apparent when Miss Opic romped to a 7-0 lead in the second game. There was no suggestion that Miss le

Moignan had given up the fight. It was simply that a little of the zest had drained out of ber, whereas Miss Opie was oow confident enough to press bome her advantage

The largest proportion of these short shots - mostly drops but sometimes angles - and it was hadly

surprising that Miss le Moignan, who is recovering from back

trouble, was not particularly supple

Another interesting factor early in he second game was that when

Miss le Moignan played a superb rally and scemed to have won the

point morally on two occasions, Miss Opic frustrated her with some astonishing retrieving – and Miss le Mrignan lost the rally with a loose forehand that rebounded from the

timnes as many. By this time Miss Opie's short shots had become very

By contrast Miss le Moignan, in going bravely for her shots, was sometimes indiscreetly ambinous. Even if Miss le Moignan had won

that first came, it must be seriously

doubted whether she would have woo any more. But the overall pattern of the match was affected by

the fact that the better player managed to get to front and thus

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profitable todeed.

acquire the cor best squash.

in bending for them.

unner-up for the title.

# of the year" award presented by the British Equestrian Writers' Associ-SNOOKER Slow motion route to

Miss Bayliss award

Rachet Baytiss, the winner of this year's European three-day event championship with Mystic Minstrel, has received the "personality

semi-finals The Canadian Cliff Thorburn and his English partner John Virgo reached the semi finals of the Hofmeister world doubles cham-pionships in Northampton, yester-

day in convincing style. In a long, drawn out quarter final they whitewashed the Welsh player Ray Reardon and his Eoglish partner John Spencer 5-0.

The length of the match, more than three hours for five frames, once again raised the issue of slow play and Spencer, Reardon and Virgo are all on the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association Board, which is currently discussing the problem. Spencer said: "The issue is over slow play and not long matches but I must admit today's match was

The point is you can have very long frames which are not slow because so many shots have been played at a reasonable pace.



Spencer: speed-up plan.

Perhaps the only way you can solve this in the end is to time players from the moment they leave their scal to the time they finish their scal to the time ticy infant their sbot. If you assume a fair average is 30 secoods per shot and allow 45, then somebody taking more than a minute per sbot on average could be said to be playing forehand that rebounded from the front wall to hit her.

This was frustranon added to adversity. A similar pattero recurred in the third game, with Miss Opie continuing to hit a wide range of winning shots and Miss he Moignan never really looking like stopping her. Miss he Moignan did hit twice as many winners as losers in the third game – but Miss Opie hit three timnes as many. By this time Miss too slowly and could be warned and perhaps, later, even fined. That is only my view but I cannot see another workable system."

Alex Higgins, crowned United Kiogdom snooker champion 12 days ago after a euphoric 16-15 victory over the world champion Steve Davis, came back to earth with a thump on Wednesday.

Higgins and the Canadian Kirk Stevens were odds-on favourites to beat Bill Werbeniuk and Eddie

Charlton in their quarter-final, but were thrashed 5-1.

The pair were outplayed by a tolid looking oppositin partoership that sparked into life when Werbeniuk, out of gear as Charltoo led the waywo a 3-t lead, hit breaks of 57 in frame five and 65 in frame six to complete a victory that surprised everyone but themselves. QUARTER-PIANL: C Thorburn and J Virgo bt R Reardon and J Spencer 5-0.

# Yates finds the going tougher against Sidek

Jakarta (Renter) - Following the surprise defeat of the world champion, Icuk Sugiarto, by Nick Yates, of England, on Wednesday night, Liem Swie King kept Indonesia's colours flying high, as be launched his challenge for the or launched his challenge for the grand prix med's singles title, with a 15-3, 15-10 victory over Ong Beng Teong of Malaysia, here last night.

Misbun Sidek, also of Malaysia.

proved himself a top contender, as he brought Yates back down to earth, 15-7, 15-4.

The Indonesian number one and All-England champion in 1978. 1979 and 1981, Liem was never in serious trouble as be set up what should be a compelling contest today against the All-England champion, Luan Jin, of China, to decide who goes into tomorrow's

Misbun never allowed Yates to settle, and if Misbun beats Icuk game match, he will go into the semi-final.

In group C, Tian Bingyi, of China, came back to outlast Steve Baddeley, of England, 10-15, 15-9, 15-10 in the best men's match of the night.

MENTS SINGLES: Group A: Liem Swie King (Indo) bt Ong Beng Teong (Mai), 15-3, 15-10. Group B: Hestomp Arth (Indo) but Sompol Kukasantiq (Thei), 15-5, 15-7, Group C: Tlang Bingpi (Chima) bt S Beddeley (Eng), 10-15, 16-9, 15-10. Group D: Milabun Sidek (Mai) bt N Yatos (Eng), 15-7 15-4. WOMEN'S SINGLES: Group A: H Troke (Eng) bt S Pedger (Eng), 11-8, 11-3; Zhang Ailbry (Chima) bt K Lumann (Den), 4-11, 11-7, 11-5, (Group B: Han Alping (Chima) bt II Ingwel (Chima) 6-11, 12-11, 11-5; K Beddenen (Eng) bt J Webster (Eng), 11-7, 5-11, 11-7.

#### **BASKETBALL** Palace undone by Israelis' tactical switch

By Nicholas Harling

Blue Nun Crystal Palace fly back from Israel today probably still wondering bow they managed to lose a match they had all but won. With Palace's 75-73 defeat to their With Palace's 75-75 derieal to their Korac Cup group quarter-final against Maccabi Ramat-Gan on Wednesday probably went the English club's best chance of staying in Europe.

Yet Palace had extended their coronal lead of 41-39 to 10 points.

interval lead of 41-39 to 10 points before the Israelis made a tactical switch that altered the course of the switch that airered the course of the game. By marking Kellerman, Palace's guard, out of the game Maccabi provided a rousing finale. Kellerman finished with 23 points and McCray with 16.

Palace, who lost by eight points in Antibes last week, play their third successive away tie against Carrera Venice oo January 12 and follow that with their three home legs; but the odds are heavily against them, even though Stimpson, who is currently out of action with a broken ankle, may be fit for the last

three games.
Sperrings Solent Stars, who meet
Palace in the second leg of their
Asda Cup semi-final on Monday
leading by 12 points, have far more chance of progressing in the European Cup Winners Cup after their astonishing 67-61 win in Italy against Olimpia Milan, a result that compares favourably with Palace's home defeat of Real Madrid last year as the best by a British club in Europe. Johnson (39) scored well-over half the points for Solent

# FOR THE RECORD

LCANO: European junior lightweight chemplonahip: Alfredo Raininger (it, holder) bt Francis Tripp (Fr), rsc 6th round.

TABLE TENNIS
EUROPEAN LEAGUE: France 2. Hungary 5:
Sweden 2. Potend 5: Yugoslavia 6, West
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(Czachosłovskia omes frust: J Pansky lost to 0.
Dougles, 14-21, 13-21; V Broda lost to G.
Sandley, 12-27, 21-23; M Hrachovs beet K.
Witt, 21-16, 21-15; Pansky and Broda best
Dougles and Sandley, 21-15, 18-21, 21-19;
Pansky and Hrachovs beet A Cooks and J.
Grunndey, 21-14, 21-16; Pansky best Sandley,
21-13, 21-16; Broda lost to Douglas, 18-21, 2116, 18-21. FOOTBALL
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: London University 1, Royal Navy 3 fat Motspur Perk).
CCHOOLS MATCH: Bordon Grammar 0.
Harvey Grammer 3.
HISBANIAN LEAGUE: Hapid Bucharest 0,
Arges Plasett 2, Dynamo Bucharest 3, Silvor 1:
Corvinul Hunedoara 2, Bacaut 0; Juli Petrosani
1, Balla Mare 0; Asa Tirgu Mures 0, Sporad
Studentesc 1; Tirgoviste 2, Universitatea
(Yalova 1: Oit 0, Chimia Filminou Vices 0;
Curares Gu Getes 3, Sessus Bucharest 1;
Fetrolat Piolent 1, Politatrica Inst 1.
Paranest 1, Eaguille: Semedol 1, Bercelone 6:

AUCKLAND: Exhibition metch: 8 Borg (Swe) bt C Lewis (NZ), 1-8, 7-8, 8-2, 6-4. NORTH MIAM BEACH: Be Nastane Invitation tourisments (US urises stated): Third round: T Mayotte M V Soundon, 7-5, 7-5; J Cormors M S Gibert, 6-1, 6-2; J Arias bt W Flook (Pol), 6-2, 7-6; A Gornez (Ec.), bt A Krickstein, 5-7, 5-4, 6-3.

6-3.

PLANTATION, Floridae Sunshine Cup junior team champlomaths, Second round: Britain 2. Creathoslovaide 1 (British names first): P Moore lost to Cwlyo Suk (Cz) 4-6. 4-6; R Whichelio bt P Korde, 6-3. 7-6. Moore and Whichelio bt Suk and Korde, 7-5, 2-8, 6-2. Mexico 3, barly 6; Spain 2, Belgium 1; Israel 2, Chila 1; Sweden 2, Philiphea 1; West Germany 3, Brazil 0; France 2, Austria 1; United States 3, Verezziela 0.

ATHLETICS MELEOURNE: 10.000m: T G Kamav (Kan), 27mm 59.14sac; 2 R de Castela (Aus), 28:02.73. WEIGHTLIFTING

INGRAD: Lightweight: V Grachov (USSR). RUGBY UNION HILLIGHT UNITON
SCHOOLS MATCHES: County 11-18 Groups
Dorset and Wittstine 22, Devon 0, Other
estables: Falmouth 8, Richard Lander 0; Hill
Cologo 9, Brockenhurst 39; St. Peter's, York
13, Brackford Grammer 14; Truro 8, Old Boys
14; Warwick 27, St Bose 9. 155kg (world anatch record)..... VOLLEYBALL CAMBEN SUPER LEAGUE: Spark 3, Capital

BASKETBALL

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Quarterfined groups: Sotvoini Paliceanestro Pecaro
(ti) 57, Panathinekos 75; Olimpie Simec Mitan
61 (Bosell 16, Premior 16, Menaghin 14),
Solant Stars 87 (Johnson 39, Balers 6, Tatham
8, Gnitith 6, Watson 4, Philip 4, Robinson 2;
KORAC CUP: Quarter-finel groups: Cal
Zeragoza 90, PLB Trieste 62; Maccabi RamedGan (strash) 75 (Jamche 24, Amos 14,
Cornelus 12, Ben 11 (2), Crystal Palice 75
(Keleman 23, McCray 16, Moore 12,
Anderson 11, Lloyd 8, Spaid 2, White 1.);
Orthez (Fr) 90, Zader (Yug) 77; SP Varese (t)
83, PAOK Salonika 80; Eczacibesi Istanbal 99,
Moderns Le Mars 80. SSE Budapest 65.

NATIONAL, ASSOCIATION: Boston Cettles
110, Cleveland Cavellers (08; Washington
Budets 99, Atlanta Hawks 96; San Antonio
Spurs 129, San Diego Cappers 114; Dates
Navericts 117, Indiana Pacers 105;
Philadelphia 78ers 115, Newsuites Bucks 93;
Kanasa City Kinga 105, Seattle Supersonics
99.

ÄTIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Kingstor 18, Hernel Hempsteed 98. FOOTBALL. TENNIS CNCUCONG: Exhibition tournament Reservations (US) bt P Shriver (US), 7-6, 6-3.

**TODAY'S FIXTURES** FOOTBALL 7.30 unless stated

First division Manchester v Tottenhern H (7.15)
Fourth division
Stockport County v Tranmere Rovers
OTHER SPORT SNOOKER: Hot

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Remaining match: December 21: Yugosiavia
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nation tournament in Brazil next president, Giulite Coutinho, has stated that England, Argeotina and Uruguay have already accepted invitations, although the matches remain provisional until the Football Association receive defi-ATHLETICS: The Kenyan dis-tance runner, Gabriel Kamau, outsprinted the Australian world marathon champion. Robert De

Castella clocked a personal best tine of 28min 2.73sec. HOCKEY: Tulse Hill, the national indoor champions, have been drawn against East Grinstead, Bedford and Gloucester City in the last 32 of the

CRICKET: The West Indies fast bowier Joel Garner, who was left out of the current cricket tour of India

Corbiere, this year's Grand National winner did not make a triumphant return in the Burnley Handicap Steeplechase at Havdock Park yesterday, but anyhody seeing his trainer Jenny Pizman's face bathed in smiles afterwards could have been forgiven for thinking that he had just done so. In fact, Corbiere finished third to Bush Guide and Chingolo beaten 16 lengths, but Mrs Pitman was every bit as delighted as if he had won.

Commenting on the race afterwards, she said: "training him on the firm ground at home has been difficult this autumn. The object was to come here and get a good run into him without anything going wrong and that is what we have achieved".

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Deputisiog for Corbiere's regular rider, Ben de Haan, who was injured in a fall at Nottingham last Saturday, the champion jockey, Joho Francome, said that, he too, was pleased with the feel that Corbiere had given him, con-sidering that it was slippery after a night of heavy rain.

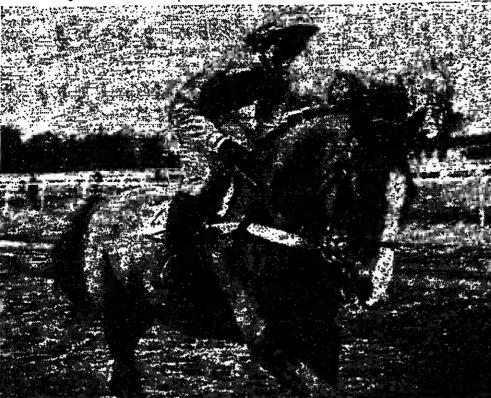
Looking at Corbiere in the paddock, beforehand, I formed the impression that he was hig and in need of the race, having done particularly well physically, in the eight mooths that he has been off the course, sioce Liverpool. He is now firmly on course for another crack at the Welsh National, which he won

Mrs Pitman will also run Burrough Hill Lad in the Chepstow race, and be is likely to have another race between now and then, either at Lingfield Park or at Worcester. Jacko, who finished fourth yesterday, is also earmarked for

the big Chepstow race on December 27.
Bush Guide, who was never entered for the Weish National. was well ridden by his devoted 24-year-old owner. Valerie Alder. Bar ooe mistake on the second circuit, Bush Guide rapaid the compliment to the young lady, who nides without carrying a whip. With this result in the bag, Valerie and ber lather, John, now have their eyes upon the Eider Steeplechase at Newcastle next year. A crack at the Grand National will be delayed until 1985.

at Southwell yesterday. After the old horse battled home by half a length

from Pea-Cock-Ade, his trainer.
Neville Crump, said: "t wish I had
nis guls – I don't know who is the
ilder, him or me."



John Francome and Corbiere get together for the first time at Haydock yesterday

ditions underfoot Bush Guide force. Nevertheless, my lasting having been taken from the impression was the way that course on a stretcher in an Corbiere was runolog oo strong-

The brilliaot way that Michael Dickinsoo's oovices are taught to jump continue to amaze after Red Mills had given so almost flawless display to wio the Birkdale Novices Steeplechase. When asked, whether they put them over brick walls or something equally hard at Harewood to get them to jump so well, Michae's father, Tony, simply replied:
"No, only over plastic fences" Whatever the explanation the end result is a tribute 10 both delayed until 1985. the method and those who put it into practice.

**Evergreen Even Melody lingers on** 

winner to have his right to claim reduced to 4lb after B double on

Briao McMahon, who is enjoying a good run, saddled Greenacres Joy to give bim his eighth winner of the

Greenacres Joy and Crowecopper.

ars ago I was going to retire him, with a six-lengths advantage over flies to Australia on January 5.

Willie Carson, the champioo At Sandown, Bright Oassis led all the way yesterday. Flat jockey, paid Haydock a would have met Cardinal Racing away from the stands for visit to see his son, Anthony, the last time the top weight, aged 20, have his first ride in over today's course and dis-Ashley House, looked a big public in the Beeches Farm tance to his name. Now, be also danger because be was going so Cooditional Jockey Handicap well, and jumping so brilliantly. Hurdle, Sadly, it all ended very But Bush Guide and Miss Alder painfully for father and son refused to give up the initiative when Brockley Belle gave young and by the time that Ashley Carson a heavy fall at only the House made a bad mistake at second flight. Tony was obvithe last fence he was a spent ously in considerable pain and.

ambulance a brokeo collar bone

was diagnosed. At Doocaster today Bright Oassis can win the Sea Pigeon Handicap Hurdle at the expense of the top weight, Cardioal his trajoer, Kim Bailey, has decided to put blinkers oo him again. Bailey told me receotly that he was bitterly disap-pointed when bad weather forced the stewards to abandon the meeting at Sandown Park 13 days ago because he felt that Bright Oassis stood and excellent chance of winning the valuable Mecca Bookmakers Handicap Hurdle that day.

the eventual winner, Sca Splash. The stable jockey Phil Tuck, who never had an anxious moment with

Mr Snugfit, reported that Skewsby skidded into the obstacle, saying: "He came down too steep and nearly found another leg. Apart from a mistake at the last ditch, his

jumping was safe."

Richard Quinn, the European

apprentice champion, will spend four weeks on a working trip to Australia, where he will he based with George Hanlan in Melbourne.

Hanlan is one of Australia's top trainers with two Melbourne Cup successes (1972 and 1978) to his credit. This year, his best horse has

2.0 SEA PIGEON HURDLE (handicap: £2,400: 2m 150yds) (14)

2.30 MERRYMAN II CHASE (novices: £1,608: 3m 122yds) (8)

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3.0 DOORKNOCKER HURDLE (novices: £690: 3m 122yds) (24)

Evens Hopeful Sant, 9-2 Bally-Go, 8 Premier Charle, 10 Muchimode, 12 Northern Bay,

meets Palatinate who beat him at Cheltenham in November. But Bright Oassis did not wear blinkers on that occasion and Bailey regrets not putting them on him theo, bearing in mind that he excelled two seasoos ago when wearing them. When Bright Oassis was

as plain as a pikestaff that his stamina gave out at the end of two and half miles. He looked like cruising io balfway up the Flower and Palatinate oow that straight. The sborter distance of today's race should suit him Hopeful Saiot, a useful hurdler last season, but a horse who looked every inch a steeplechase in the making even then, is my selection for the Merry Novices Steeplechase. Earlier in the day his stable companion, W Six Times, will be hard to catch io the Red Alligator Handicap Steeple-

#### **Jockey Club** clear trainers

Two trainers, Bill Preece and Roy Whiston, were cleared at a Jockey Club inquiry vesterday into positive dope tests on their horses, Crowe-copper and Fly More. Urine samples from Precce's Crowecopper and Whiston's Fly More were both found to contain theobromine, as well as, in the case of Fly More,

caffeine and theophylline.
However, the disciplinary committee were satisfied that the source of the prohibited drugs was the supplement Favorite, manufactured by a German company. Crowecopper was disqualifed from the race he won at Uttoxeter on September 22. and Fly More successful at Worcester the following day, met a

# for the punters

strikes me as incongruous to fied yourself exchanging views about going down to the betting shop wheo you are talking to a Tory baronet. Somehow, the Right Honourable Sir Ian Hedworth John Little Gilmour M.P. doesn't seem to go with a 10p Yankee.

Sir fan, it must be said, finds nothing odd in this juxtapo-sition, and his backing of what he calls a "small, but useful and generally beneficial reform". He is iotroducing a private mem-ber's bill, which, if passed, could io the end make your average High Street betting shop a little less like the Lubyanka. "It is a kind of nineteenth century way of thinking, the idea that says if you must have legal gambling, then it must take place in the maximum possi ble dis-

comfort."
The Betting and Gaming act of 1963 brought off-course betting out of the closet of illegality, but, nervous about corruptiog a nation, betting shops were hedged about with restrictions: no advertisements. no signs, no telly, oo seats, oo refresbment - above all, oothing that could possibly be construed as "entertainment"

The interior of betting shops are decorated with a stark, bleak minimalism, like a Zen rock garden. The law insits that they are uncomfortable places to be in ... yet that does nothing to stop many a puoter from improving a shining hour or two with a quiet series of When Bright Cassis was investments, watching the rise beaten by Miners Lodge at and fall in the betting market Newbury in November, It was relayed from the course, scanning the pinned-up form in

Sporting Life, exchanging views.
"We have to self-regulate." Stuart Hall, sales and marketing manager at Exchange Telegraph explained. "We must provide an entirely factual service.

Paddock profiles, for example, might be construed as cotertainment. And if we seek to give entertainment then the bookmakers are liable to be prosecuted.

To sit down and watch a race oo the telly with a cup of coffee seems a small thing, especially when with the dawn of cable television breaking, there is likey to be more opportunity than ever for the punter to see what colour horse he has backed, but the law says this is

simply not on. Sir Ian has been known to have the odd bet himself. "If you are well off, you have an account with a bookmaker, and you telephone your bet over, and then watch the race in comfort on your television at home. Others are not so fortugate, and I think this is unfair and upreasonable."

The bill he is introducing is an enabling bill, which, if passed, will allow the Home Secretary, if be likes the idea, to put forward changes in the

You can say what you like shops, which, if they are passed about democracy, but it still by both Houses of Parliament. can then be instigated

Furthermore, the problems o jockeying a private member's bill through Parliament make the difficulties of picking the 1984 Derby winner fade into insignificance, with such things as halloting and tactical objections to contend with. The bill was to have come up today, but has been put back until March. Sir Ian believes that "any one who objects will be on weak ground".

No matter what the ground is like the hill is a million miles away from being a cert, despite the illustriousness of its backer, a former secretary of state for defence and former Lord Privy I doo't know if the suthor of

Inside Right: a study of Conservatism has often had a 5p Heinz (six selections covered in 57 bets) or tried many reverse forecasts at Hackney dogs via BAGS, the Book-makers Afternoon Greyhound Service, but Sir lan, though not a fanatic, is a racing man.
"I've owned half a horse on occasions, the best of which was

Spartae Sacrifice, who was beaten in a photograph for the Stewards' Cup twice. I used to bet more regularly than I do now, because I don't bave time to study the form and one likes to do the thing properly."

He doesn't believe that a cup

of instant coffee and a telly will bring a flood of new and



Sir Ian Gilmour: wants to brighten betting shops

profligate gamblers to ruin. There has been a lot confusion about this reform - people think bookmakers want to start serving alcohol. This is not the case," Tom Kelly, director general of the bookies group, the Betting Office Licensee Association (BOLA), said.

Sir Ian said: "If people want to gamble, they will do so anyway, so I don't see why they shouldn't do so in reasonably civilized circumstances. It has always been OK for the middle classes to gamble in comfort. I think it should be OK for every one else." His hill is not, he says, a foriorn hope. In fact, he reckons it is something like an even-money chance.

# Simon Barnes

2.30 BURPLEY CHASE (Handicap: £2,708: 30

TOTE: Wir. 86.30. Places: £1.40, £9.00, £2.40. DP; £564.10. CSF: £142.37. TRICAST: £1,437.93. J Alder at Newcastle-spon-tyne. 6t. B. Jacko (20-1) 4th. Ashley House (2-1 law). 11

3.0 WIDNES HURDLE (Selling: E879: 2m 8f) 

TOTE: Win. £15.90, Please: £2.80, £10.50, £1.70. DF: £249.40, CSF: £210.00, Mrs K Coulman at Louth <sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, 71, Jymanio (2-1 fav). Lord Cherise; (14-1) 4th. 12 ran, NR: End of EraBought in 2,800 gns. 3.30 GOLBORNE HURDLE (3-y-o: Movices: £1,239: 2m)

TOTE: Whr. \$2.10. Places \$1.20, \$1.50, \$5.70. Dr. \$2.50. CSF: \$5.80. M H Eastardy at Melton, \$4, 1 ½, Merry Tom [20-1] 4th. 15 ran. NRs: Meater Carver, Prince Link, Tote double: \$21.55. Paid on first leg only, Treble: \$155.50. Placepot: £358.20.

1.45 CHRISTMAS TREE CHASE (handlea; (£1,322: 2m 74yd) EVEN MELODY by g by Even Money Scotch Tune (S Green) 14 11 7 C Hawkin TOTE: Whit: £22.10. Places: £3.90, £5.90; £7.50. DP: winner or second with any other horse £3.60, £5.92; £2.92.20. Tricest £4696.74 N Crump at Middleham. ½, 11½. Percipient (3-1 fav) Startight Lad (10-1) 4th 15 ran.

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# Seeking comfort | Britain qualify by smallest margin

HOCKEY

Great Britain .. China.

Britain qualified for the semi-finals of the 10 nations tournament finals of the 10 nations tournament yesterday with a decisive victory over China. Level with Malaysis on points and goal difference. Britain won the right to play Australia tomorrow night for a place is the final by virtue of having scored more goals than Malaysia. The other semi-final will be between Pakistan and India. Pakistan and India.

After Britain's 3-2 defeat by South Korea on Wedoesday changes had to be made. Pappio replaced Taylor in goal, Duthie gave way to Craig in deep defence and Martin made way for Faulkner in the middle line. Sherwani, who came as substitute against South Korea, led the attack but was replaced by Duthie, Hughes did not play and Britain made positional changes

Yet Britaio could not have made a better start. They were two goals up in four minutes, by which time China became so desperate that they made substitution io an effort to stablize their tottering defence. In the second minute a short corner led 10 a plenalty stroke which was converted by Westcott the, from another short corner Craig's shot was saved but Kerly scored from the follow-up.

With the Chinese committing China China

From Sydney Friskin, Hankong obstruction with stick and body, the short corners continued to poer in for Britain (they had tt altogether) and Barber scored directly from one of these. One of the best assults of of these. One or me cest assuits of the match led to the fourth goal Westcott pickering up a free his from Kerly and dashing through to, score. Three minutes before the interval Britain scored from another short corner, Leman stopping the hit from the line and passing to

Kerly who scored. Although Britain occupied Chi-nese territory for most of he second half they could not some assess stubborn Chinese resistance. Bri-tais played well as a team un-individual bonours most go to Potter for another smooth perform-ance at centre back.

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Other results: Group A: India 3, Japan & Australia 4, Canada 1, GROUP A P W O L E A TO

# Germans in pool

By Joyce Whitehead

England will play West Germany, treland. France and Spain in pool B in the first qualifying round of the European Cup in Lille, France, from May 3 to 13 next year. In pool A May 5 to 15 next year. In pool a Scotland, Netherlands, Belgium, the Soviet Unioo and Austria.

Meaowhile. England havee accepted an invitation from the Australian Women's Hockey As-Australian wolliers Hockey Association to take part in their Seventy-fifth auniversary celebration in September, 1985.

Artificial pitches and the varying

standards of umpiring have been two of the most influential factors in pro-tournament county champion-ship matebes, all of which have now

been played. Those sides more used to playing on an artificial surface have undoubtedly benefited from their knowledge, while umpring inconsistencies have caused a regrettable amount of frustration among some ployers. In tomorrows County matches
Wiltshire play Herefordshire in
Swindon and on the new artificial pilch in Abbey Park, Leicester, Leicester meet Hertfordshire.

Leicestershire are the Midland county yet to be beaten, while Herefordshire are second in the East table. It is possible that these teams

**ATHLETICS** 

will meet

two needs

By Pat Butcher

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

# Skerrett to Sponsorship captain 1984 tour

By Keith Macklin

It may not be evident to athletic followers, spoiled by a succession of Olympic, Commonwealth, European and world championship medals, that the higgest problems facing. British athletics nowadays are the lack of indoor facilities, and some encouragement for school leavers to the croot A school leavers by On the ill-fated and disastrous On the th-lated and disastrous Great Britain tour of Australasia io 1979, the outstaoding forward, and one of the few Great Britain players to enhance his reputation, was Trevor Skerrett. The international selectors have long memories, and yesterday Skerrett was named as the contrain for the 1984 tour of Australasia.

Skerreit has 10 caps and will lead Great Britain in two internationals against France early next year. He joined Hull from Wakefield Trinity, and has been a leading figure in Hull's triumphs during the past few seasons. A former second row forward, he graduated to the froot row with outstanding success, and is renowned as one of the most

Although not a try-scoring forward, he is a selfless distributor of the ball and a whole-hearted 80 minute player of the type needed if Great Britain are to make any sort f impact in Australia and New Zealand next year.

Zealand next year.

Skerreit's appointment follows a number of others designed to improve the Great Britain squad. The manager, Dick Gemmell, the coach, Frank Myler, the physiotherapist, Ronnic Barritt, and the "filness conditioner", Rod McKenzie, have already been appointed, and an assistant manager will be anamed next ment. The 28 slavers will be chosen towards the end of

igaps.

Almost 1,000 sports balls around the country will best a competition hetween schools and clubs, with equipment specially designed by George Banner, children competing over two hours, as part of a knockout competition, with the finals on May 7 next year, at Aston Villa sports hall. The sponsorship also includes a £10,000 grant to the Sports Aid Foundation,

grant to the Sports Am rommans, towards Olympic preparations.
Indoor training facilities are a necessity for technical events, in which British athletes, apart from the shining example of Daley Thompson, Keith Connor, Fatima Whitbread and Tessa Sanderson, are sadiy out of touch. The indoor season in Britain is due to be launched in the first week of named next month. The 28 players January at Cosford, which is still the only properly-equipped indoor arena in the country.

# BOXING

# Writers' award for McGuigan

Barry McGuigan (right), aged 22, the British and European featherweight champion, has woo the best young boxer of the year award in the annual poll of the Boxing Writers' Club. He will be presented with his trophy in London on January 18. McGuigan topped the poll by an overwhelming margin and any doubts that he would win were swept away by his superb performance. ance in winning the European title against Valerio Natl, in Belfast, He is only the third frishman to

win the award following two bantamweights from Belfast, John Kelly in 1953 and Freddie Gilroy six years later. Others in the running this year included Frank Bruno, Mark Kaylor, Errol Christie and



# **TENNIS**

# Masters caps men's tour

which will run for five weeks, beginning on Monday January 30, will start and finish at the Matchpoint Centre, Bramhall, Cheshire, After the first week, the players will move on to Telford, home of the closing event on the recent LTA women's satellite circuit. The third tournament in the series will take place at the new centre at Peterborough and the fourth at the Ace Centre, Coventry.

There will be a draw of 32 at all events, except the Masters at Mosch Point, the finale being open to the 16 players who have amassed the most points. The circuit, which is to be referred throughout by Alan Mills, is expected to draw a good interational entry. The women's

satellite tour attracted a good sprinkling of Americans and Europeans, although the LTA were disappointed when three Russiao girls promised to the tournament by a London-based Russian diplomat, finish to entend the contending to failed to materialize. It was only a matter of days after

he had spoken to the diplomat, that two Emberey of the LTA caught sight of his face on the front page of OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements in the state of the front page of a national newspaper, and read that gamoron Ltd, Marburn Relance, Scotch Run.

The LTA men's satellite tour, said to himself: "There go my three, hich will run for five weeks, Russian girls" - and he was right. Paul Hutchins, the national men's team manager, made the point yesterday that he felt the LTA were giving British players a real-chance, by putting money into a ciruit carrying not just £22,000 in. prize-money, but computer points.

These points are invaluable for players working their way up the world ranking list, and I expect most of our top seniors and juniors to enter." he said.

Nystrom's reminder (Sydney (Reuter) - With Sweden and Australia due to announce their teams today for the Davis Cup final, which begins on December 26. Joachim Nystrom furthered his claim for inclusion by moving into the quarter-final of the New South the quarter-final of the New Source
Wates open tournament yesterday.
The Swede, aged, deflected the
sccond seed, Tomas Smid, and
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Smid (CZ), 4-6, 7-5, 8-3; M. Devic (US): 8 Dating, (NZ): 5-7, 8-2, 7-8; P. Cash by W. Masor, 6-4, 8-7, 8-1; A. Janyd (SWE) by M. Macr (CZ), 6-2, 8-1.

# **Doncaster**

At the final ditch, three from tome, the 3-1 favourite, Capvista, ill and hrought down Double Step and Oyster Pond, at which point ven Melody went in pursuit of larlight Lad and Kindled Spirit, rump added: "If he had jumped the last better, it would have been asker. He's an amazing horse and tughs every day of his life. Two lars ago I was going to retire him.

Even Melody showed that at 14 and he promptly won three on the trot."

Peter Dever needs only one more

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on the cars side. The first outward sign of the new strategy is the one-litre SA310, the company's first full-sized family car. It is still only in the supermini class, dominated here by Austin Rover's Metro and Ford's Fiesta, but it is as far ahead of the present 800cc Suzuki Alto, as the Alto was of the original Suzulight two stroke 360cc

The new car will arrive here in about two months and should sell for a little under £4,000. That is about the going rate for its class. It could have been so much cheaper it Suzuki GB, the Heron group company which imports Suzuki cars, had not decided to make up for poorly

for the most expensive version. It comes complete with a full digital dashboard, which I found to not in the same street as the engine, be less appealing than the very clear old fashioned dials in the cheaper version I drove recently in Spain.

General Motors involvement. The American giant owns 5 per cent of Suzuki and is planning to import large numbers of SA310s. The front is typically Japanese with its bug eyed look but the rest of the body shows some family resemblance to GM's own small car, the Nova. It provides marginally adequate acas the front passengers do not hog country. too much of the restricted legroom. The brand new, 993cc, three-cylinder, overhead camshaft engine is the Motorway speeds lightest around, weighing only 138 lbs. It achieves that with extensive

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0.30 Play School: Pat Hutchins's story Clocks and More Clocks: 10.55 Play Ideas: with Chice Ashcroft; 11.05 Closedown. 2.30 News After Noon: with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale; 12.57 Financial Report, And sub-

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at 5.40, regional magazine: 5.53, weather at 6.15, and closing headlines at 6.38. Show Business: what's on, starring whom, end where to see it. This is the final mme in a series that assembled in a hurry. 100 Mstch of the Day - Live: Jimmy Hill introduces the Manchester United versus Tottenham Hotspur match, ot Old Trafford. The commentator: John Matson. commentator: John Mats

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6.25 Good Morning Britain: with Nick Owen and Anne Diamond, Today's Friday (6.45. 9.02), Viewers' Views on the Monday Moan (7.50) and Open Dors (8.45). Regul items include news at 6.30 and half-hourly until 9.00; sport (6.35 and 7.35), Today's papers (6,25), John Stapleton's Spotlight (7.05) and Competition Time (8.25).

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9.25 Themes news headlines. Followed by Sesame Street. the Muppers help children up the tree of knowledge; 10.25 Witkin in Winter: Winter sports film, with David Wilkie; 10.50 Art of Ceramic Glazing: Hints from Leon Moburg: 11.05 The Dazzle: Edna O'Bnen leads her story: 11.30 Film Fun-the Movie: Derek Griffiths and film

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Toddlers: The limits that both parants and children impose. With Anne Ford.

1.00 News; 1.20 Thames area news; 1.30 About Britain: Pontius Pilate's Bodyguard: Pages from the history of the Royal Scots (350 years old thi year); 2.00 Private Benjamin: American army comedy series starting Lorna Petterson.

2.30 Snooker: First semi-final of the Holmeister World Doubles (more el 11.00pm); 3.30 Sons and Daughters; Australian drama serial.

4.00 Children's ITV: Rainbow (r); 4.20 Dangermouse: The Planel of the Cats: episode five (r); 4.25 Sooty; 4.50 Freetime: All the fun of the Freetime circus; 5.15 The Young Doctors: Australian hospital life.

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London news headlines. Followed at 10,30 by: The London Programme: Police forces outside London claim campaign to reduce the number of deaths from drunken driving over the Christmas period. Tonight's programme poses the lagging in the fight against drivers who drink. 11.00 Snooker: The first best-of-17 trames semi-tinal of th **Hofmeister World Doubles** 

1983. 12.30 I'm Coming Home: What happened when the Welsh singing star Tom Jones recently returned to his native Wales after a decade of self-States. He attends e special homecoming party in his home town of Pontypridd. Followed by: Night Thoughts: the Rev Jim Graham, of Goldhill characters of Christmas



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this unseasonable play, can play
the devil with you. Worse, it can
help to ensure that you will not be around to see any more Christmasee. I need only refer you lo the title of Mr Davies e play if you should accuse me of giving too much away when I say that "Nothing succeeds like excess" could well be the slogan of the gruesome twosome who run the fuxurious hotel to which problem cases are drawn like moths towards a flame. But too much

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food and drink are merely part of the balt in this velvet trap. The truly deadly ingredient is human ss, and it is this aree of misfortune that Mr Davies explores with flendish delight in a play that is so sumptuously designed that it almost persuades us that Heli could be 6 good place to spend a weekend even though Michael Gough's Mephistophelean host is sadly deficient in the social graces. The play Heartattack Hotel notwithstanding, it is an indifferentight on television and the special Christmes programmes will not arrive a minute too soon. AUF WIEDERSEHEN, PET (ITV, 9.00pm) does, however, continue to hold up quite well, thanks to Dick Clement's and lan Le Frenzis's well-rounded

Radio 4

Piper. (r). 9.45 Feedback. Your views and comments about SBC TV and

18.00 News: International Assignment BBC correspondents review a contemporary Issue. 10.30 Morning Story: Birthday Girl by Jili Norris, read by Mary

Jil Norts, feed by Mary
Winbush.

18.45 Delty Service.

11.00 News: Travel; Yellow rain:
Genocide or myth? The
evidence in the 'yellow rain'
mystery, which caused death
and disease in SE Asia. (r).

11.48 Natural Selection. The lyre bird
of Australia.

of Australia. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Top of the Form. Final of the

contest.

1.00 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers.

1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour from Manchester, Items include an interview with blind playwright Pat Wilson (70 titles, aif for the angetter street. She next 13 of

amataur stage), Pius part 13 of The Ledies of Lyndon, 3.00 News; Sybli or The Two Nations' by Benjamin Disraeli

Nations' by Benjamin Disraeli (5).1
4.00 News, Just after Four, With Colonel John Blashford-Snell.
4.30 The spirit of Kitty Hawk. The story of some of the people who have made aviation history (5). Test pilots of the jet age.
4.40 Story Time: 'A Kind of Treason' by George Macbeth (12). Frank Duncan reads the final part.
5.00 PM; News magazine.
5.50 Shipping forecast.
5.55 Weather; Programme News.

radio put to producers and

characters and some fine ensemble playing from the Georgie brickies'.

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background of sadness to IT STICKS OUT HALF A MILE (Radio 2, 10.00pm) for it proved to be John Le Mesuner's swan-song. But there is some good comedy writing in this "Son of Dad" o Army", featuring three of the characters from the much-loved Home Guard series, and the departed Le Mesuner can still make us laugh with that diffident style that he with that diffident style that he perfected over so many years of character acting on television and, even more so, on radio. . . . A reminder, finally, that tonight (Radio 3, 9.30) is Judgment Night in the 1983 National Poetry Competition, organised by the Poetry Society and Radio 3.

· Inevitably, there is a

Song.† Madday Prom: BBC Phil with Paul Galbraith (guhar). Part one. Prolodier's Symph No 4, Op 112 (revised edition 1947).†

6.00 The Six O'clock News; Financia

6.00 The Six O'clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 Going Places. The world of travel and transport.
7.00 News,
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Pick of the Week. Programme highlights with Margaret.
Howard.
8.10 Profile. A personal portrait.
8.30 Any Questions? from Bishopagate, London. With David Steel, Denis Healey, John Selwyn Gummer, and Lastey Abdele.
8.30 Kaleidosope. Arts magazine.
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6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.25 Shipping.
6.30 Today, ncluding 6.36, 7.36, 8.30 News Summery, 6.45 Prayer for Day, 7.00, 8.00 Today's News.
7.25, 8.25 Sport.
7.45 Thought for Day.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.50 Your Latters.
8.57 Weather.
8.00 News.
9.05 Desert Island Discs, Artist John Piper, (f). 0.30 Kaleidosope. Arts magazine. 9.58 Weather 0.30 Kaleidosope, Arts magazine,
9.58 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight: News.
10.35 Week Ending, A satirical review of the week's news.†
11.00 A Book at Bectime. 'Ask Marrens' by R. S. Surtees (10, 11.15 The Financiel World tonight.
11.30 Today in Partiament.
11.45 Glyn Worsnip in the BBC Sound Archives.

11.45 Glyn Worsnip in the BBC Sound Archives. 12.00 News. 2.10 Weather. 1.15 Shapping forecast. ENGLARD, VHF with 1f above except: 6.25-6.30em Weather; Travel. 1.55 Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued), 11.00-12.00 Study on 4: 11.00 Digame! Suplemento. 11.30 The Training Revolution.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert. Part one. Ethy Smyth (The Wreckers overture), Beethoven Plano Sonata in C sharp minor (Moonlight), Stanle (Concerto in D, Op 2 No 1, Britten (Sultes on English tolk songs: A Time There Was, ...),† 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert: part to

8.05 Morning Concert: part two, Smetana (overture Bartered Bride), Handel (Concerto Grosso in F. Op 6 No 9), Fauré (Pavane), Bloch (Concerto grosso for strings with plano obbligato).†
9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Berlioz Overture and Act 2 Beatrice and Benedict. With Janet Baker and Robert Tear in title roles and the LSO/Sir Colin Davis.†

18.00 A Frenchmen in America: Music for two pianos by Milhaud. David Johns and Jeremy Brown.
Carnivel & la Nouvele Orleans Kentuciders; and Le bel mertiniquals.?

18.25 Northern Strifonia Ensemble: Britten's Strifonista, Op 1; Alois Habe's Nortet No 1 Op 40, Wolf-Ferrari's Chember Symph in B flat Op 8.1

tax Op 8.7
Haydn and Schubert: recital with Felicity Lott (soprano) and Graham Johnson (plano). Includes Schubert's Songs from 1828, and Haydn's The Spirit'e

1.00 News. 1.05 Six Continents: Foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC.

1.20 Milday Prom: part two.
Rodrigo'n Concierto de
Aranjuez, and RimstoyKorsakov'n Capriccio espaĝnol.
2.05 London Barroque: John
Jentins' in Fantasy in 3 to F.
Bach's Chromatic Fantasia and
Fugue: Sonata in D., and Marin
Marian's La gamme en forme de
retir opera part two f

werren s La gentine en forme de petit opera, part two.f 3.00 Haydn and Field: New Irish Chamber Orch, with John O'Cornor (piano). Haydn's Symph No 67, and Held'in Plano Cone No 7 in C minor.f

4.00 Choral Evensong: from Canterbury Cathedral. Organist Alian Wicks.1

News.
Mainly for Pleasure: Another of David Hoult's selections. Including Beethoven's String Quartet Op 18 No 2; and Falla's Suite Populaire Espagnol.1

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 Sume Popularie Technat by Ricardo Iznaola, Brittan's Nocument Op 70, and Ravel, art Iznaola Alborada del Gracioso.†

 7.00 Violin and Piano: recital by Violin and Piano: recital by Supplement Deskish abdelita and Richard Deekin (violin) and Catherine Dubois, Delkis (Violin Sonata III), and Lennox Berkeley (Sonatina).†

7.30 Music of Eight Decades: Music of Eight Decades:
Concert, direct from Royal
Festival Hall, London, Part one.
John Butter's The Theatre of
Memory. With the BBC Symph
Orch, and soloists including
Jessye Norman and Ross Pople
(cello), †

(cello), f

8.10 A Clear Conscience: short story
by Carmen Maria Gaite, read by
Stephen Moore,

8.40 Concert: pert two. Debussy's
Rondes de printemps; and
Olivier Messlaen's Poemes pour

9.30 Poetry 83: The 1983 National Poetry Competition. The major prizewinners are announced, With readings, and the views of

the judges.

10.20 Arnold Bax Centenary: Music for two planos, played by Howard Shelley and Hilary Macrameru.
The works include Festival Overture, 1909 (world premiere) the Poisoned Fountain, 1928: and Saint Anthony, 1928,\*
and Saint Anthony, 1928,\*
11.00 The Complete Webern: with the
London Sinfonletts and Phyllis
Bryn-Julson (sooprano),
Webern's orchestrations of

Schubert songs including those

from Winterreise and Die schone Mullerin.†
11.15 News, Until 11.18.
Vi6F only Open University.
11.20pm into the Open and
11.40-12.00 Technology: Val

Radio 2

News on the hour (except 8.00pm and 9.00). Major bulletins 7.00mm, 8.00, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight. Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (MF/RMV) 5.00am Colin Berry; 7.00 Ray Moore; 10.00 Jimmy Young; 12.00pm Music While You Work; 12.30 Gloria Humilton; 1.2.02 Sports Desk. 4.00 David Hamilton; 1.4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk. 4.00 David Hamilton; 1.4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk. 6.00 John Durn; fincluding 8.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.30 Male Valce Choirs Competition. Twenty-four choirs compete to find the Value Value Chors Companion.
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Radio Wates Male Voice Choir of the
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Sammes Singers.19.57 Sports Desk.
18.00 it Sticks Out Half s Miles.A 10.00 it Sticks Out Half's Mile. A seaside comedy starting John Le Mesurier, lan Lavender and Bill Pertwee. 10:30 Brian Matthew presents Round Michight (stereo from midright). 1.00am Right Owls with Dave Gelly.† 2.00-5.00 Liz Allen presents You and the night and the Music.†

News on the half hour 6.30mm-8.30pm, then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight (AE/MW). 6.00mm Adrian John. 7.00 Mark Page. 0.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith, Including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Gary Davies. 4.30 Peter Powel's Select.A-Disc. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 9.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show.! VHF RADIOS 1 and 2 5.00mm With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00em With Radio 2.

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Klaus Kinski: Nosleretu the Vampyre (Channel 4, 11.15pm) BBC 2

5.35 News summary: with subtitles. And weather prospects for the weekend.

5.40 International Show Jumping: from Olympia. The accent to on items with a special appeal for the youngsters, including circus acts and the Shetland Pony Grand National. 6.30 Friday Western: The Law and Jake Wade (1958) John Sturges'e western co-stars Richard Widmark as an outlaw rescued from prison by his

former partner in crime (Robert Taylor) who is determined to go straight. Photographed by Robert Surtees, three times an Oscar winner. Co-starring Petricia Owens and Robert Middleton 7.55 A Modern Consort: The Duke of Gloucester shares the mmentators' chores with Chris Kelly at the Royal College of Arts where the Prince Albert exhibition is being held. Also at the exhibition: Red Gadney, of the

8.25 Dance Interna Netherlands Dance Theetre in the ballet TRensfigured Night: music by Schoenberg, choreography by Jiri Kylian. 9.00 M°A°S°H in a morale-lifting exercise, Colonel Potter decides that, for a day, oficers

places - which explains how

Klinger suddenly becomes

Royal College, and the historian Professor Michael



Michael Gough, Madge Ryan (BBC 2, 9.25pm) 9.25 Heartattack Hotel: Black

comedy, by Andrew Davies. It is about a macabre weekend ent in a luxurious country spent in a luxumous count hotel which offers all the attack - too much eating, too much drinking, and violent, unnacustomed exercise. Starring Michael Gough, Madge Ryan, Robert Lang and Hugh Fraser. (See Choice.)

11.35 Whistle Test on the Road: Aztec Camera are the leatured hand. Mark Ellen introduces the concert which comes from Aston University, In Birmingham. Ends el 12.20am. 5.00 The Munsters: Horror film

spoof, Herman (Fred Gwynna spots Grandpa'o photograph in the missing persons colum of a detective magazine and there is a thousand dollar reward on his heed.
5.30 The Tube: Pop music show,

CHANNEL 4

presented by Jools Holland and Leslie Ash. The guests inchale Mark Minnardz and Echo and the Burnymer. And there is an interview, on film, with Paul McCartney. 7.00 Channel Four News.m Followed by weather prospects for the weekend.

7.30 The Right to Reply: The half-hour slot which offers Channel 4 viewers a chance to put their opinions to the programme makers. Chaired, as siways, by Gus MacDonald. 8.00 The Ameteur Naturalist: The

Cost of High Living. Gerald and Lee Durrell in the Rocky Mountains of Canada. As they climb higher, they pursue elk with a home-made elkcaller. Then they capture some bats, which they mark with phosphorescent paint so they can examine the flight pattern of the nocturnal creatures. Finally, they arrive at a glacier. 8.30 A Week In Politics: Signs of

 rebellion in Labour-controlled councils as the new rate support grant is announced Environment Secretary Patrick Jenkin is interviewed. 9.15 Rockers Roadshow: A shopwindow for Britain's black music makers. Tonight's show comes from the Rising Star, Bilston, in the Midlands, The

entertainers include Beshara, Pre Wax, and Medium Wave. 10.00 The Paul Hogan Show: A second chance to see the instalment featuring the mime 10.30 Picture of Health: Just Like

Rain. An examination of the Ink between ill-health and the increasing use of pesticides in Britain. The focus of controversy has now fallen on the herbicide 2,4,5-T, banned in e number of countries, but stiff in use in Britain. It is chemical reactions during which TCDD (better known as Dioxin) is formed. It was this highly toxic substance that was released in the accident at Seveso, Italy, in 1976, with 11.15

Nosferatu, the Yampyre (1979) Werner Herzog's remake of F. W. Murnau's Klaus Kinski as Dracula (in the original, the vampire went under the name of Graf Orlok). Herzog's film has been highly praised for its superb phatography (by Jorg Schmidt-Reitwein) and for its striking production design (by Henning von Gierke and Ulrich Bergfeider). The Bram Stoker novel has provided tonight's many liberties have been taken with the book's text.

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10.30-11.20 Knot's Landing, 11.20
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Minutes), 10.15-10.45 East - Weekend,
Middands - Black Christmas, North
Goodbye to The Good Old Days, North
East - Coast to Coust: Durham
Cethedral, North West: A Winter's Tale,
Christmas words and music, South -

Christmas words and music. South – Southern Life. South West – The Gift of A lamb. The first Christmas by Charles Causley, West – Dey Out: the Vale of Berkeley. Berkeley.

S4C Starts 2.20pm Stori Stori. 2.35
Interval. 2.45 Spice of Life, 3.10
Book 4.3.55 Today'a History. 4.20
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7.80 Newyddion Seith. 7.30 Sion a Sien.
8.00 Pobol y Cwm. 8.30 Pawb e'i Fys.
9.15 Paul Hogan Show. 9.45 Soap.
10.15 Film: Fiame to the Phoenix. 11.40
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TYNE TEES As London except: 10.25am Stan and

Otle\*. 10.50 Vicky the Viking. 11.15-11.35 History Makers. 12.30pm-1.00

CHANNEL As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Snow Children, 1.20-1.30 News and Lookaround, 2.00-2.30 That's Hollywood, 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons, 6.00 Northern Life, 6.20-7.00 Weekend Lift-Oir, 7.30-9.00 Film: Bad Day at Black Rock (Lee Marvin), 10.32 Snooker, 12.30am Three's Company, Closedown

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9.25am-9.30 First
Thing, 10.25 Space 1999, 11.20-11.35
Educational Short, 12.30pm-1.00 Pine
Tree, 1.20-1.30 News, 2.00-2.30
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HTV As London except: 19.25cm Travel Log, 11.15 Poetry of Landscape, 11.30-11.35 Cartoon, 12.30pm-1.00 Hands, 1.20-1.30 News, 12.30pm-1.00 Hanos, 1.20-1.30 News, 2.00-2.30 Superstar Profile, 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors, 5.15-5.45 Happy Days, 6.00 News, 0.30-7.00 So What's Your Problem? 10.30-11.00 Press Cell. 12.30am Closedown.

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We'll Tell You a Story, 12.30-12.10 Tell Divorce Do Us Part, 1.20-1.30 News, 2.00-2.30 Fick Up Your Feet, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 Channel Report, 6.30 Crossroads, 6.55-7.00 What's On Where, 10.35 Snooker, 12.30am Closedown,

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10.25em Spread Your Wings, 10.50 Karati Spirit, 11.05-11.35 This is Cross Country, 12.30pm-1.00 Sparrowhawk, 1.20-1.30 News, 2.00-2.30 Flying Kiwl, 3.30-4.00 One of the Boys, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.60 Scotland Today, 6.30 Sports Extra. 6.45-7.00 Hear Here, 10.30-11.00 Ways and Means, 12.30am Late Cell, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except:
9.25am-9.30 Day Ahead.
10.25 Larry the Lamb. 10.40 Crazy
World of Sport. 11.05 Cartoon. 11.2011.35 Saly and Jake. 12.30pm-1.00
Hands. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime, 2.00-2.30
Fixed for the Future. 3.30-4.00 Paint
Along with Nancy. 5.15-5.45 Survival.
8.00 Good Evening Ulster. 8.45-7.00
Advice. 10.30 Witness. 10.35 Snooker.
12.38am News, Closedown.

4.00 Young Doctore, 5.15-5.45 Beverley Habitiles, 6.00 News, 9.05-7.00 Weekend, 10.30 Snooker, 12.30am Films Haunted and the Hunted,

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# Anger over blocking of EEC rebate

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this before December 31 although he might agree to a delay until the end of next month if the council asks him to negotiate further on the terms.

As far as the Council is concerned, the budget is illegal for at least four reasons. Mr Adonis Georgiadis, the Greek Minister currently chairing the budget council, said after the vote that there were political and legal problems ahead.

The political one was the result of blocking the British rebate; the legal one derived from the way in which Parliament had unilaterally increased its powers over part of the hudget and had reclassified some categories of spending in a way which the council believed

Member states will have to decide in the next couple of weeks whether or not to take the parliament to court. If they fail o do so Britain could still go head on its own, but such a ocess would be very long and would be difficult for the case get anywhere before the arch deadline.

Yesterday's Commons exanges were at one point duced to a match of resoluon, with Mr Kinnock accusing irs Thatcher of "huffing and uffing" and the Prime Minister plying that she could not mpete with the Labour leader n that score.

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"Such actions by Parliament will only make an already difficult sitution even worse, and will risk distracting attennegotiations which should be given first priority over the next few months."

# Carson junior takes a tumble





Tony Carson on Brockley Belle and, seconds later, on the ground as father looks on.



Carrying his son's helmet. Willie Carson sees the stretcher into the ambulance.

Willie Carson, the champion jockey with more than 2,000 wins to his credit, watched proudly yesterday as his son set off in his first public race at Haydock Park racecourse.

Seconds later, his pride changed to disappointment as Tony Carson, aged 20, fell badly at the second fence, in Beeches Farm Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle.

He crashed to the ground and lay

grimacing with pain for several minutes before he was put on a stretcher and taken away in the course

His father, who had been watching from the stands, went to comfort his son at St Helen's general hospital, where he was treated for severe bruising and later discharged.

The fall is the second piece of bad luck for Tony Carson. He should have had his first ride five weeks ago at Herekold, but the horse he was to have ridden was held up in traffic and failed to arrive in time to register. His disappointed father said yester-

day: "I was mentally upsides with Tony during the race."

Dr F. Lennon, the course medical officer, added: "Tony is in some pain, but in good spirits. It is nothing terrible." The fall was also seen by Tony's mother, Carol.

# **Battleship** bombards Lebanese militias

Continued from page 1 the United States with its fighting spirit".

• LONDON: Mr Michael Heseltine, the Defence Secretary, took the unusual step of telephoning Mr Walid Jum-blatt, leader of the Druze militia, to protest about artillery fire which landed near the British beadquarters (Rodney Cowton writes).

He said on BBC radio that he had been at 10 Downing Street with the Prime Minister on Wednesday when the news came through.

Mr Heseltine said Mr Jumblatt had assured him "that he would dn everything possible to usure the mality of our people".

ATHENS: Greece announced that, after obtaining adequate assurances of safe passage, it had authorized five ships to sail for Tripoli today to evacuate the 4,000 Palestinians loyal to Mr Yassir Arafat trapped there (Mario Modiano

Gemayel in London and journalists under US fire,

#### Clash of Soviet chess titans draws nearer

Continued from page 1 play Korchnoi's own openings

"He is a much more aggressive player than Karpov, although Karpov knows more positions and is more tranquil. He has been magnificent as a model observation and will be world champion, and will be hard to beat". Alexander Roshal, chess correspondent of Moscow

Radio and the magazine Soviet Sport: It has become clear that Kasnarov has become no weaker than Korchnoi in the endgame. It is now apparent that, apart from experience. Korchnoi has no advantage. His nerves gave in, and lost him any advantage he had.

"The most interesting match imaginable today is Kasparov v Karpov, for anyone else to take on Karpov would be hopeless. Any outcome would be useful for Kasparov, but as the younger man I think be must take less offence at defeat". Mr Roshal then shyly disclosed that he was first deputy to none other than Kurpov. Game report, page 2

# Frank Johnson in the Commons

# The Princess of wails

Mr Donald Dixon, the Labour member for Jarrow, contemptuously inquired of the Prime Minister yesterday whether she recalled her speech at Swansea three years ago when she advised the unemployed "to be mobile".

situation was improving in Swansea. By his demeanour as she was speaking, it was apparent that Mr Dixon was dissatisfied with this reply on the ground that his constituency was Jarrow, not Swansea. it she was not to know that. Mr Dixon, a man who places little emphasis on mere charm, looked as if he could be the member for Swansea or Jarrow or indeed most other

places. Perhaps she might have had second thoughts had she originally been under the impression that he was the member for Frinton-on-Sea or the Dean of Peterhouse or chaplain to the Queen Mother. But, despite his protests, or perhaps she could not hear them above the usual question time hubbub, she persisted in regarding him as the member for Swansea.

"There has been an enterprise zone created in Swansea which is one of the successful enterprise zones..., she in-tuned. "Jarrow, Jarrow", Mr Dixon protested "... to draw more industry into the area," continued the Prime Minister. wisely adhering to her first ment that she was dealing with a man from Mr Dixon fidgeted and

waved his order paper in dismay. Perhaps his dismay was caused by the sheer injustice of a social system which regards the problems of Jarrow as being best solved by new enterprise zones in Swansea. "Swansea has been one area

which has been successful in getting inward investment for this country because we are a member of the European Community," she obliviously continued. Aboveall, she was no doubt confident that there would be no need for another Swansea Hunger March. Mr Dixon would not have

been justified in regarding the Prime Minister's reply as innapropriate. For in that speech at Swansea three years ago she did advise the unemployed to be more

had now reached Swansea, So Mrs Thatcher resumed her seat, having answered the question to her own satisfic.

Mr Dixon continued to look disapproving. But it is misunderstandings such as these Mrs Thatcher replied to the which make British Prime effect that the employment Minister's questions the envy of the world. On the other hand, it was possible that she knew all along that Mr Dixon came from Jarrow, but had decided to proceed on the assumption that he came from

This sort of thing happens all the time in the plays of Mr Harold Pinter. A similar situation arises in Brideshead Revisited when Charles Ryd. er's father, throughout dinner. treats Charles' friend as an American even though he is perfectly well aware that the friend is as English as Charles or himself. For an unexpected element of whimsy was enter-ing into Mrs Thatcher yester A Liberal, Mr Malcolm

Bruce, protested that the Government Chief Whip and other Government whips had gone into a division lobby in the previous night to haul out Tory MPs who were in danger of dividing the wrong way in a complicated plot to vote a Social Democrat off some new select committee on defence.

"Whatever the Chief Whip did I am absolutely sure it was absolutely right", sile replied, with a surprising lightness of touch and a smile. Whereupon, Dr David Owen

embarked on an immense intervention which took up several minutes of question time, Mr Dennis Skinner, the Labour Member for Bolsover, heckled him. "There is a disease for which there is no known

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"and that is what the bon member for Bolsover suffers from: verbal diarrhoea". Dr Owen went on. He accused Mrs Thatcher of grave abuse, and of making a joke,

cure". Dr Owen observed,

"I know we are getting close to Christmas", observed the. Speaker, in connexion with nothing in particular, except-Christmas Mrs Thatcher denied everything. Good temper was not restored until the House got onto the subject of glue sniffing. Dr Owen walked ont. Mr Skinner left in search of a second opinion.

# THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE Exhibitions in progress

# Today's events

Piano recital by Richard Summ St. David's Hall, Cardiff, 1.10 Christmas concert by the Choir of Bangor Cathedral, Great Hall, Amrhyn Castle, Bangor, Gwynedd,

Handel's Messiah, by City of Birmingham Choir, Town Hall, Halle Orchestra Concert, Royal oncert Hall, Theatre Squattingham, 7.30.

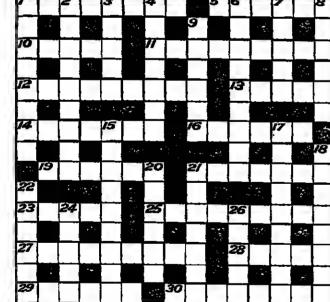
# Carol Services

County Council Christmas Ser-

Festival of Carols, by Morriston participation, St. David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30.

20 years of Dr Who; the Brain of Morbiu: Doctor Tom Baker, the Tyneside Cinema, 10/12 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, 6.30.

# The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16.311



# ACROSS

1 No obstacles in this course that Alfred's about to follow (4-4). 5 Eight days a month on the road

up (5). 11 Careless braves, not watchful 17 Rely on a GI to turn into (9).

12 Fluid's warm and red (9). 13 A doer's back leg, in part (5). 14 One very rich sucrose mixture 20 Pay to trim the edges? (6).

19 Numberless dairymen include it 24 Join central part of up train (5). in their returns (6).

21 Go back, right back, Onegin (7). 23 Put out powdered tobacco (5). 25 Lying version fools Head (9).

27 Begin to speak after swallowing one drink (9). 28 African master or bachelor of

arts, faint-bearted (5). 9 Go outside to dine, by agreement (6). ) Disclosed Elizabeth was radiant

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1 Pass the ball to a defender, getting a whistle (8). 2 Study of man loses what rope it

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4 Man in fool's raiment (7).

6 Blush after motor race (9).

7 A shortage, unfortunately (5).

8 Tie up the lady moreover (6). 9 Fly up East Street twice (6).

15 Scrooge fell over a stone (9).

21 Ease up always about 25 (7).

22 Companion from a differen

26 Such days occur in several

Solution of Puzzle No 16,310

soldier (9).

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has for collective work (9). Prize Crossword in The Times tomorrow CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12

vice, St. Ann's Church, Manchester,

The Typeside Cinema celebrate

Contrasting approach to land-scape in waterzolour and oil by Fylde Artists Dale Berry and William Smedley, Lancaster City Museum, Market Square, Lancast-er, Mon to Fri, 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun (ends Dec 23) closed Sun (ends Dec 23). Fishing Smacks, a Kent County Museum Service travelling exhibition, Tunbridge Wells Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Tunbridge Well; Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat 9.30 to 5. closed Sun (ends Dec 31). Paintings by Peter Sutton, Paintings by David Wiseman; City Museum and Art Gallery, Priestgate, Peterborough; Tues to Sat 12 to 5, closed Sun and

Mon, (ends Jan 7).
French prints and drawing, Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow, Mon to Sai 10 to 5 Sun to Glasgow: Mon to Sai 10 to 5 Sun to 5, (ends Jan 8). Recent landscapes by Gerald Gadd; Geoffrey Huband, Maritime, Frances Gripwell and Moira Williams, Flora and fauna, at Gallery 45, 45/46 Bridge Street, Hereford: Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, closed Sun (ends Dec

# Holiday openings

The London Tourist Board have listed the following open en Boxing

Day:
The Barbican Art Gallery, Chemington Zoo, the Historic Ship Conscion (S. Kalberin Dock). Kenwood House, Krew Gardens, Dock). Kenwood House, Krew Gardens, Cheming Control (S. James S. Church). Madamir Tusseid "F. London Planetarium". London Hill House, Royal Academy of Arts. Ranger's House, and Windon Bafferi Park". indicates open also en Christma

The board's information services operate as follows: nn Christmas Eve at Victoria, Heathrow and Harrods; on Boxing Day at Victoria, Heathrow and on the Telephone Information Service 01-730 3488. "What's On" recorded service operates 24 bours a day on 01-246 8041. 18 He would come down without

# Closures:

The following museums will close as ndicated ever the holiday (all dates indicated ever the holiday (all dates are inclusive);

Dec 23-28, Jan 1-2: Burbana Dec 23-28, Jan 1 - Burbana Dec 23-28, De

Jose 22-27, Jan 1: Antional Martine Museum.
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Dec 24-27, open neon Dec 28: Institute of Contemporary Arts.
Dec 25-28: Crafts Council (Information Council Information Pechapel Art Callery will be closed whole period for represent

# Parliament today

Commons (9.30): House Buyers Bill, second reading.

Lords (11): Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons (Amendment) (Ne 2) Bill and Disabled Persons Bill, second readings.

# Food prices

The Art of Craft: an exhibition of craftwork at Newport Museum and Art Gallery, John Frost Square, Newport, Gwent; Mnn to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat 9.30 to 4, closed Sun (ends The all-important decision on what meal to have for Christmas is wide choice. If the choice is goose or game, is it to be fresh or frozen? It is important to noder fresh birds in good time so as to ensure the correct Oldham Road, Greater Manchester. The Nude - Approaches Through Drawing Herbert Art Gallery, Jordan Well, Coventry; Mnn to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Jan 22). weight for Christmas catering. In addition to the Oven-ready turkeys addition to the oven-ready turkeys Dewhurst have a wide selection of fresh birds from small heas weighing 10th to 12th at £1.10 to £1.20 a fb. to large stag birds weighing 20th to 30th at 78-88p a lb. They also have nven-ready geese from £1.45 a lb and some of their shops will supply fresh birds. There are some increases in beef prices with topside and silverside ranging from £1.94 to £2.30 a lb. Forerib effort the home at Tesco is £1.52 a beef on the bone at Tesco is £1.52 s In Lamb prices are quite high with whole leg from £1.29 to £1.52 a lb and whole shoulder from 76p to

£1.03 a lb. All root vegetables remain good buys, particularly carrots. Brussel sprouts, smaller that normal, range from 24p to 34p a lb. Red cabbage is 17p to 30p a lb and is good with pork or game. All Citrus fruits are good value particularly new season Spanish Navalina oranges at 8 to

# **Anniversaries**

Births: Catherine of Aragon, first wife of Henry VIII, Alcala de Henares, Spain, 1485; Jane Austen, eventon, Hampshire, 1775; Zoltán Kodály, Kecskemét, Hungary, 1882; Sir Noel Coward, Teddington, Middlesen, 1899. Deather Richard Bright, physician, London, 1858; Camille Saint-Saens, Algiers, 1921.

# The papers

The New York Times says that if the United States runs Grenada's security system and acts as a political cop with fimited accountability indefinitely, "that's a recipe for trouble". In states: "The objective now should be to hand objective now should be to hand nver security powers as soon as possible to Grenadians and what tutors they may need from a 390-member. six-nation Caribbean contingent being trained by American military policemen. As long as Americans remain in Grenada them. can military policemen. As long as Americans remain in Grenada, they need to be reminded of the careless disregard for fundamental rights shown in the early days of the occupation. Of 1,200 persons initially detained, 48 are still being held without charges or prospect of trial. Two of the nverthrown leaders. Hudson Austin and Bernard Coard, were manaded and blindfolded, contrary to note of the distribution of the companies of the contrary to note of the distribution of the state o

blindfolded, contrary to accepted practices in treating prisoners of war. Worse, posters depicting their humilisting were plastered every-where by a Psychological Oper-stions Unit of the US Army, in dismal emulation of the Iranians, who blindfolded and paraded American diplomats in Tcheran. in this vacuum, American MPs have been questioning Grenadians and foreigners about political beliefs, conducting warrantless searches, detaining suspected troublemakers and warning others about anti-government activities.
"Are these the lessons they came to

# Roads

Midlands: Al: Contraflow southnot made any easier for shoppers by the very fact that there is such a

> A62: Improvement work to Thurs stone River Bridge, South York-shire; single lane traffic controlled by traffic signs. A5: West Yorkshire: junction improvements and resurfacing work will cause delays.
>
> Scotland: A4: Roadworks south of Doune with single-lane traffic

controlled by stop/go boards. A90: Lane closures on southbound carriageway between Forth Road Bridge and junction I of the M90. Information supplied by AA.

# Top films

Top best office filtres in London:

1 (-) Trading Piaces
2 (1) The Jungle Book/Mickey's
Christmas Carol
3 (2) Rear Window
4 (3) La Travista
5 (5) Octopussy
6 (-) Ziggy Standust and Ti
from Mars
7 (4) Videodrome
2 (6) Educating Pika
9 (6) Bertrayal
10 (7) Zeitg
Ten films in the provinces:

Top five in the provinces:

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# Top video rentals

1 Raiders of the Lost Ark (CIC)
2 48 Hours (CIC)
3 Porkys (CBS/FDX)
4 'Who Dares Wins (Rank)
5 The Entity (CBS/FDX)
6 The Hungs (MGM/LA)
7 First Blood (MGM/LA)
6 Local Hero (Thorn EMf)
9 The Lords of Discipline (CIC)
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Finland Mkk	8.68	8.28
France F7	12.30	11.80
Germany DM	4.05	3.86
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Japan Yen	349.00	331.00
Netherlands Gld	4,57	4.34
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Pertugal Esc	195.00	185.00
South Airica Rd	1.82	1.69
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USA\$	1.46	1.41
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Retail Price Index: 340.7.

# Weather forecast

Pressure will be low in the SW

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crossing many parts. 6am to midnight

London SE, E, NE England, East Anglia: Rain soon clearing, some clear intervals, but further rain in places temorrow, wind S backing SE, moderate thoreasing fresh, locally strong; max temp 7 to 8C (45 to 46F).

Central S, SW, NW, central N England, E, W Mildlands, Channel Islands, S, N Wales, Lake District, lele of Man, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Sunny Intervals, becoming depty with

Surery Intervals, becoming cloudy with outbreaks of rain; winds SE to E, Fresh outbreaks of rair, winds SE to E, Fresh increasing strong, locally gale; max temp 6 to 10C (48 to 50F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundeo, Aberdeen, Glasgow, cartral Highlands, Moray Frith: Surny periods, becoming cloudy overnight, rain tomorrow; winds S backing E moderate, increasing fresh to strong; max temp 5 to 7C (41 to 45F).

Argyll, NW Scotland: Showers or longer outbreaks of rain, winds S backing E, Moderate increasing fresh to strong; max temp 8 to 9C (45 to 48F).

NE: Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Showers, heavy at first, some clear intervals, winds SW backing SE, moderate increasing fresh to strong; max temp 7C (45F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Unsattled and windy at times; near mormal temperatures.

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SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea; Straits of Dover: Wind SE strong or gale; sea very rough. English Channel (E): Wind SE gale or severe gale; sea very rough. St George's Channel: Wind backing strong or gale. Sea rough. Irish Sea: Wind SE moderate backing E fresh or strong: sea stillert becoming revent

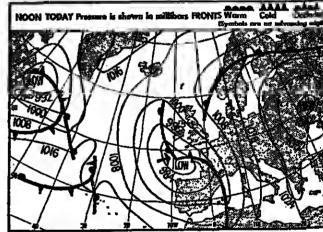
Sun rises: Sun sets: 8.00am 3.52pm Full Moon: December 20. Lighting-up time

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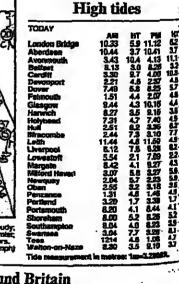
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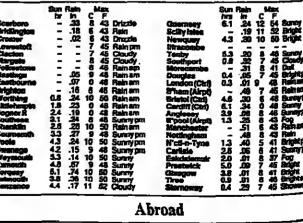
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